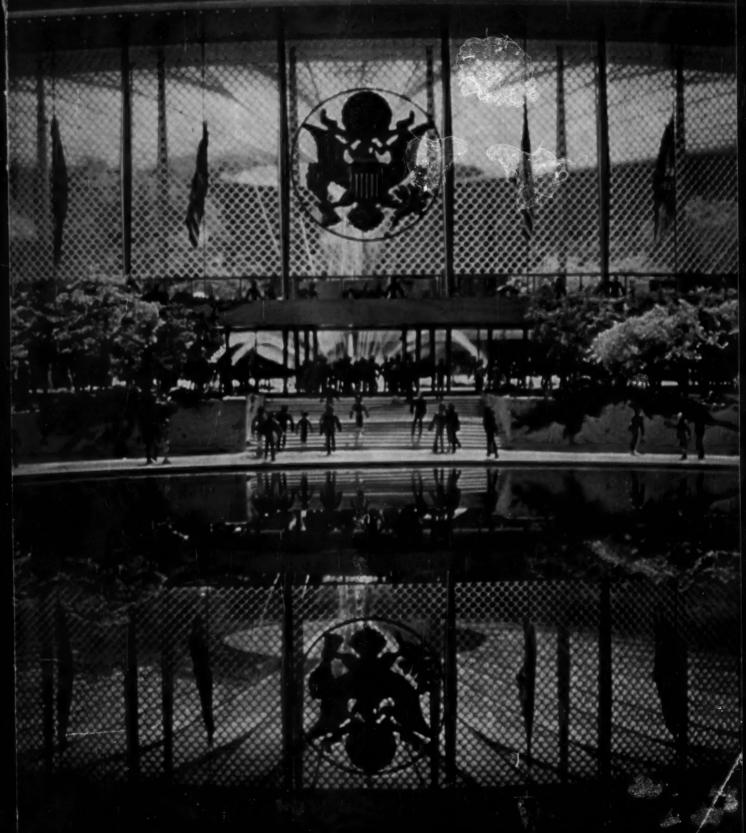
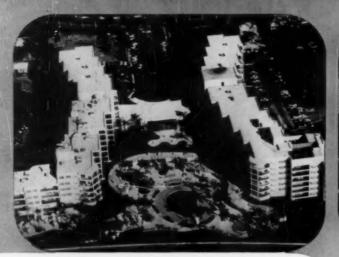
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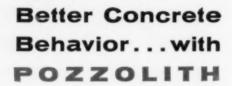


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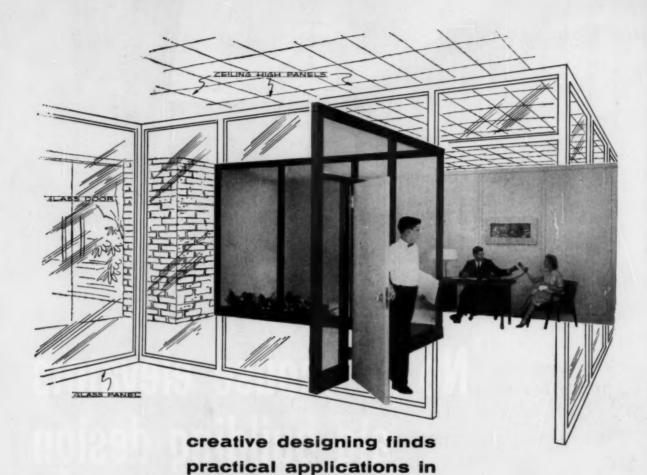


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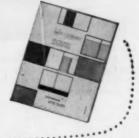
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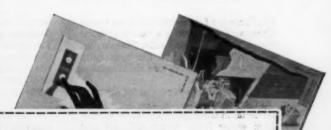
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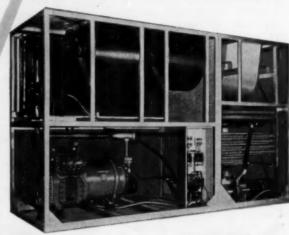
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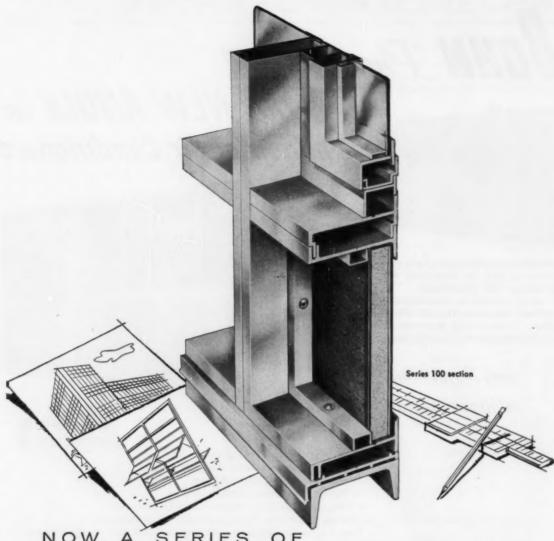
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#### PERSPECTIVES

MACHINE-MADE AMERICA, that perpetual object of Old-World alarums. got only the most rapturous admiration from the three young Spanish architects who won the \$25,000 first annual R. S. Reynolds Memorial Award, received it at the A.I.A. Centennial Convention in May, and then promptly set out to spend as much of it as possible on a month's trip around the U.S. Back in New York briefly last month just before their return to Madrid, Señors Cesar Ortiz-Echagiie, Manuel Barbero Rebolledo and Rafael de la Joya could not, in fact, say enough about those wonderful American machines. "Your machines, they work!" was a marvelous fact - in Spain, as Señor de la Joya put it, "when we make the machine, we make also the sign which say 'out of order'." They seem to have eaten about half their meals in cafeterias, for the pure joy of operating the vending machines. And everything was on their side, because the one machine they encountered which was out of order, though withholding food, spewed forth instead some twelve dollars in change. As architectural pilgrims they went to Chicago to see Mies' I.I.T. buildings and the Lake Shore Drive apartments, to Detroit to see Saarinen's General Motors Technical Center, to Wright's Falling Water as Edgar Kaufman's guests, to Cambridge to see Gropius' Harvard Graduate Center, Aalto's dormitory and Saarinen's auditorium and chapel at M.I.T. They were impressed, in varying degrees, with all of these. "But here what does architecture make? Here everything wonderful!" Rare and kindly visitors, who see the forest better than the trees.

A house is not a home: An evocative little architectural tale is told in a recent issue of *The Italian Scene*, a monthly bulletin gotten out by the Cultural Division of the Italian Embassy. "Trulli-Land Snag," the item is headed, and it tells about the recent effort of a well-meaning agency to replace old trulli with new trulli—with the intent, in fact, of preserving the older trulli as museum pieces.

Trulli, you must know, are the traditional dwelling places of the hill people of a certain section of the heel of Italy: "a trullo," to quote The Italian Scene, "is a single circular chamber roofed with the large stone slabs found in the region. These are placed, with a special technique, so that each slab gently slants down and outward. They all converge, like an African ant hill, in a high peaked summit. . . . No rafters, no mortar are used. . . . A large house may consist of five, seven or more trulli, touching each other and joined by communicating doorways. . . . Some of the trulli still inhabited are centuries old. Well, the Cassa del Mezzogiorno has recently financed the building of a whole set of brand new trulli in Alberobello, the little town which is the "capital" of Trulli-Land. "But, with the completion of the work, an unforseen snag has arisen: the owners of the trulli flatly refuse to exchange the old for the new. The new trulli may be roomier, but they like what they have got. If they move at all, it will be to a modern apartment." At last report, Cassa del Mezzogiorno was considering the possibility of turning the new trulli into motels for tourists.

ARCHITECTURE FOR A FREE PEOPLE: "What we can hope to do," said August Heckscher at the Centennial Dinner of the New York Chapter of the American Institute of Architects, "is through architecture and design to cause men to think through the premises by which they live; to make articulate, and finally to make massive and visible, the underlying conscience of the age. . . . The architect cannot dictate to his client; he certainly would be unwise to try to dictate to the community. The process of evoking buried strains of belief and value, of constantly reshaping the outward design so as to avoid doing violence to the inner life, is the essence of democracy. It is my own belief, indeed, that an age of great building can be an age of true freedom - that the next stage of liberalism in America will be the liberalism born of common efforts to manifest

in architectural forms the quality of life which the people treasures for its own. The architect will have to be infinitely patient; he will have to listen for those signs and voices that are not yet in the fashion, heed those impulses which are just breaking into the light, all the while maintaining his convictions and his own clear sense of taste and style. We shall then have beauty, but not personal beauty merely, not beauty in the abstract: beauty, rather, that springs from the strivings of a self-confident and diverse people, from their life together, their dreams and needs and hopes. The gravest question, I suggest, is whether the architect will have the time to know what is happening around him; whether he will be able to exercise the imagination, the piercing kind of imagination, which sees what is really going on, instead of merely seeing the thing that everyone says is going on. . . . Go out, I would urge you, and gain touch anew with the people whose interpreter and servant you are - with the American land, with the forces of change that run across the continent and are making us over in ways we only dimly apprehend. Stand where you have perspective; test all your art against the needs of the new day that shines around us."

THE FUTURE OF THE CITY (postscript on the A.I.A. convention seminar): "Many of us in the planning professions," writes Landscape Architect John O. Simonds of Washington, D. C., "have long sought that agonizingly elusive holy grail of planning, which is no more, nor any less, than a lucid and compelling concept of planning's main business. In Washington's Constitution Hall during the A.I.A. convention, we heard this concept spelled out with ringing clarity. Those attending had the great good fortune to hear the story of planning told with more heart, and mind, and soul, and muscle, than we have ever heard it told before. Congratulations and sincere thanks to panelists Clark, Feiss and Talbott and to John Knox Shear for his able chairmanship of the panel on 'The Future of the City.'

#### 89 AMERICAN SCHOOLS BY 79 ARCHITECTS SELECTED TO SHOW

School buildings will be the major subject of the Twentieth International Conference on Public Education to be held this month (July 8-17) in Geneva. Some 70 countries are expected to participate. The United States exhibit, arranged by Dr. Ray L. Hamon, chief of the School Housing Section of the U.S. Office of Education, will consists of individual brochures including photographs, miniature drawings and explanatory notes on each of 89 recently constructed American school buildings from 79 architectural offices. In addition, eight of these projects (shown on these pages) will be exhibited also on meter-square mounts showing the principal features.

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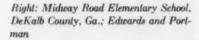




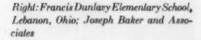


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Left: Faylane Elementary School, Garden Grove, Cal.; Kistner, Wright and Wright



Left: Aviation High School, Redondo Beach, Cal.; Flewelling and Moody



Left: Fred Ekstrand Elementary School, San Dimas, Cal.; Daniel, Mann, Johnson and Mendenhall

Right: Brockway Junior-Senior High School, Jefferson County, Pa.; Hunter, Campbell and Rea

Left: North Hagerstown High School, Washington County, Md.; McLeod and Ferrara

Right: Beach Avenue Elementary School, Niagara Falls, N. Y.; Sargent-Webster-Crenshaw & Folley









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#### BUILDINGS IN THE NEWS

#### HAWAII CHAPTER BESTOWS ANNUAL HONOR AWARDS

HONOR AWARDS: at its annual dinner, the Hawaii chapter of the American Institute of Architects awarded three firsts and five honorable mentions in its annual honor awards program. Included among the first place winners were: (1) the Punahou School Building — Vladimir Ossipoff, F.A.I.A., architect; (2) Hilo Public Library, Hilo — Merrill, Simms and Roehrig, architects; and (3) the Allen 4 Johnson residence — Johnson and Perkins, architects

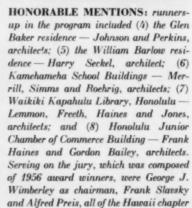








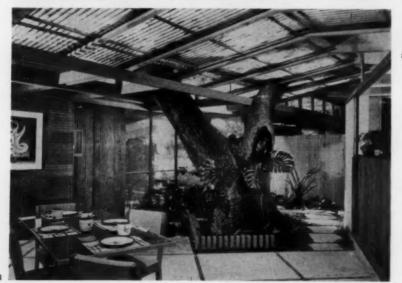




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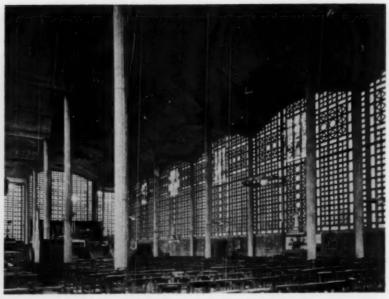
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Left: Church of St. Engelbert, Köln-Riehl, 1932; Domenikus Böhm, architect—"if St. Engelbert," says the museum's catalog, "manifests 'tradition' [in] the apparent



complexity of its ribs and their 'Gothic' rise . . . the drama of the interior is contemporary." Right: Notre Dame du Raincy, Paris, 1923; Auguste Perret,

architect—"the classical elements are present, yet throughout the effect is of reinforced concrete, brilliantly engineered for a space as Perret understood it"

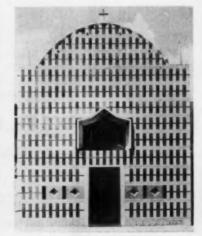
#### DEVELOPMENT OF MODERN CHURCH TRACED IN EXHIBIT

Under the auspices of its Department of Circulating Exhibitions, the Museum of Modern Art opened its new exhibit, "Modern Church Architecture," May 5 at the University of Illinois. This is the first exhibit on religious buildings to be organized by the department.

The exhibit shows 24 modern churches, ranging in time from Anatole de Baudot's Church of St. Jean de Montmartre, built in 1894, to Frank Lloyd Wright's Beth Sholom Synagogue, still under construction in Philadelphia. Ten U. S. churches are included (Continued on page 356)

Right: Church of the Miraculous Virgin, Mexico, 1956; Felix Candela, architect—"the rhythm of shapes and the forms acting within them generate new architectural experiences in space." Below, left: Central Lutheran Church, Portland, Ore., 1951; Pietro Belluschi, architect—"sensitively balanced throughout." Below, center: Church of St. Anthony, Recoaro-Terme, Italy, 1950; Guiseppe Vacarro, architect—"façade of red and colored inlaid marble reminiscent of the medieval and Renaissance churches of Tuscany." Below, right: Kresge Chapel, M.I.T., 1955; Eero Saarinen, architect—"a protective sanctuary, affords complete physical separation from the outside world"









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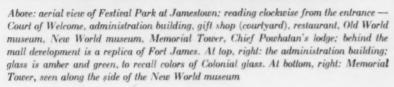
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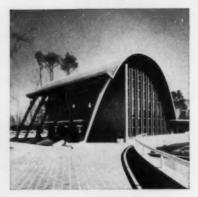
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#### JAMESTOWN'S 350TH YEAR: VIRGINIA'S FESTIVAL PARK CELEBRATES THE EVENT

In connection with the festivities surrounding the 350th anniversary of the founding of the Jamestown colony, the Commonwealth of Virginia has built Festival Park on the mainland near Jamestown Island. Although the colony site itself, one of the "Triple Shrines" of Yorktown, Williamsburg and Jamestown, has been developed under the direction of the National Park Service and the Association for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities, the state felt there were still some needs to be filled in a year in which many times the normal number of tourists were expected: first, parking space; second, "to welcome, inform, comfort and feed the visitor": and third, "to lead him through preparatory exhibits into the historical past." They felt also that no facilities for any of these requirements could be placed on the island without disturbing the historical atmosphere.

To fill the first need, the park provides parking space for 1400 automobiles; to fill the second, architects Ballou

& Justice designed a complex of modern buildings including an administration building, a cafeteria and a gift shop; and to fill the third, two museums were included among the new buildings, and replicas built of Chief Powhatan's Lodge and James Fort.

In a state with a reputation for building in the traditional manner, there was of course some argument about whether the new buildings should be contemporary or Colonial. The decision, left to the architects, was determined in large part by the necessity of building within the \$1,200,000 budget.

An attempt was made, however, to relate the architecture to traditional forms. The basic material used for the new buildings was a "simulated old Virginia brick of soft salmon pink." For the administration building, the architects used laminated-wood arches to recall a still older type of construction—the bent-sapling frames of the Indians, used also in the reconstruction of Powhatan's lodge. In the "Old World"

museum, which will house an exhibit donated by the British to the festival, a "bastion-like" element was incorporated, and in the "New World" museum, the designers made use of the serpentine wall.

Working with landscape architect Kenneth Higgins, the architects placed the buildings in a semi-circle around a grass mall, to correspond with the topography and to give a variety of perspectives. A covered walkway borders one side of the mall and connects the main buildings. At the entrance to the mall, flags of the United States, Great Britain, the United Nations, the State of Virginia and the Jamestown Festival fly in the Court of Honor. At the far end of the "sickle," a memorial tower provides "visual punctuation"; symbolically, the river side of the tower "is profusely patterned to reflect the rich heritage of the past," and the mall side "carries horizontal band and vertical fins to imply the steady progression and rise of our civilization.

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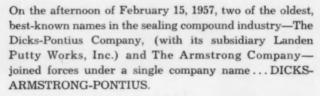
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#### The State of Construction

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#### What's Wrong with Specs?

The Producers' Council, holding its annual spring meeting, and the Construction Specifications Institute, holding its first annual convention, heard some sharp criticism of the current state of specification writing at a joint luncheon held in Washington May 13. Addressing the delegates on "The Human Side of Specifications," Kenneth M. Wilson, of the Wisconsin architectural and engineering firm E. F. Klinger & Associates, called for greater clarity and brevity in the writing of specifications. "Today," he said, "specifications no longer complement drawings. Drawings, which from time immemorial have been the universal language of man, are now designed to complement the specifications. With this transposition, we have seen our specifications grow in length

APOLOGIES to second- and third-prize winners in international competition for National Opera House for Sydney, Australia, whose entries were incorrectly identified in news slory on winners (AR, April 1957, page 16). At right, they are (top) second-prize entry by Philadelphia architects Joseph Marzella, W. W. Cunningham, William Weissman, Milton Brecher, Leon Loschetter, Robert L. Geddes and George Qualls; (below), third-prize entry by Bossevain and Osmond of London

and, unfortunately, in confusion as to their true intent as well." Mr. Wilson urged that specification writers be more specific about the materials they want - "Unpleasant as it may be, failure to accept responsibility for the work of their own hands is at least one of the underlying reasons for our confusing specifications of today"; that specifications be "combined" with well-detailed drawings; and that architects and engineers follow up with sharp field supervision. In a joint afternoon session, producers and specifiers attended a panel discussion on "Construction Specifications"; the speakers included Norman Hunter, president of C.S.I.; Walter Taylor, the American Institute of Architects' director of research and education; David Miller, a director of the Producers' Council; Frank Crimp,





A.I.A., a director of C.S.I.; and William Scheick, executive director of the Building Research Institute. Earlier, in an independent morning session, C.S.I. had presented its highest award, honorary membership, to Colonel Alfred W. Sikes, Chicago engineer.

#### Coming Up

The American Society of Landscape Architects will hold its 58th annual meeting at the Sheraton-Palace Hotel in San Francisco July 8–10. In addition to the business sessions and seminars, there will be field trips to see important works of landscape architects in the San Francisco Bay Region and chapter displays of work in landscape architecture, including the traveling photographic exhibit, "Landscape Architecture Today" (AR, Jan. 1957, page 16), prepared by the California Redwood Association with the advice and assistance of Northern California landscape architects.

A World Conference on Prestressed Concrete will be held in San Francisco July 29-August 2 under the sponsorship of the University of California and concurrently with the third annual meeting of the Prestressed Concrete Institute. More than 150 engineers from some 41 foreign countries are expected to be among the 900 delegates to the conference. Speakers from a dozen nations will, according to Conference Chairman T. Y. Lin of the University, "spearhead the conference's primary purpose of (Continued on page 24)



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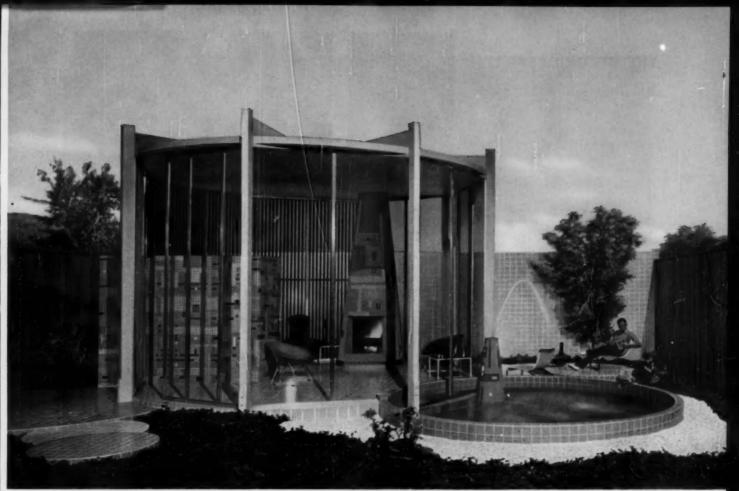
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pooling scientific, engineering and manufacturing knowledge and experience." There will also be some 50 papers on materials and techniques, precast prestressed buildings and bridges, prestressed wharves, piles, pavements, thin shells and slabs, research and design and construction in various countries. The American Institute of Architects is among the cooperating societies, which also include the American Association of State Highway Officials, American Concrete Institute, American Society of Civil Engineers, Associated General Contractors of America. Association of American Railroads, International Institute for Prestressing, National Science Foundation, Portland Cement Association and Structural Engineers Association of California.

Plastics for Roof Construction will be the theme of the next meeting of the Building Research Institute's Plastics Study Group, scheduled for September 17-18 in St. Louis. The program will include reports on field experience with plastic materials, complete with cost data on field installations of plastics used as vapor barriers, insulation, flashing, roof surfacing materials and skylights; also a field trip to the new Monsanto Chemical Inorganic Chemicals Laboratory in St. Louis, in the construction of which more than 80 different applications of plastics were made. The meeting is open to architects, engineers and any interested persons in the construction industry. Registration and other information from: Harold Horowitz, Technical Secretary, Building Research Institute, 2101 Constitution Avenue, Washington 25, D. C.

The First International Seminar on Hospital Construction will be held in Geneva September 9-19 under the joint sponsorship of the International Hospital Federation of the International Union of Architects, with the assistance of the World Health Organization. Object is the pooling of the experience of architects, administrators, engineers and doctors responsible, at various levels, for the construction and operation of hospitals and allied establishments. While the present seminar, planned to be the first in a series, is intended primarily for technicians from countries in the Eastern Mediterranean area, North Africa and the Near and

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YALE named architect Paul Rudolph (above left) chairman of Architecture Deparlment of its School of Architecture and Design and, as dean of the School, Gibson A. Danes (above center), who has been chairman of Art Department at U.C.L.A.

MEMPHIS A.I.A. gave ils first Gold Medal to Pietro Belluschi, M.I.T.'s dean of Architecture and Planning, shown (right above) with Chapter President A. L. Aydelott. Dean Belluschi was cited as "architect, statesman, educator and writer"



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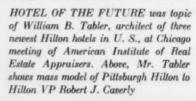


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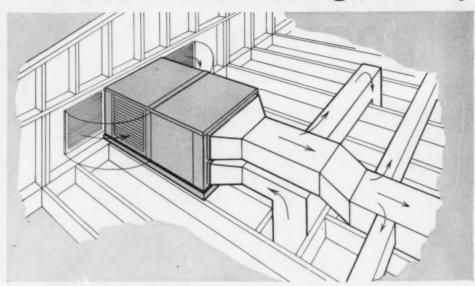
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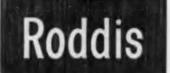
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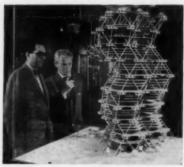


The competition, which is sponsored by the Association for Applied Solar Energy and the Phoenix Association of Home Builders and approved by the American Institute of Architects and the International Union of Architects, closes August 15: registration of applicants closed June 1. Professional adviser is James M. Hunter, F.A.I.A., 1126 Spruce Street, Boulder, Colo. First prize will be \$2500 and the architectural contract for building of the residence, which will be erected as soon as possible after the judging on a one-acre site near Phoenix. At the discretion of the jury, a second award of \$1500, a third award of \$1000 and a fourth and fifth award of \$500 each may be made. Jurors, who will meet September 14-15 at Grand Canyon, are Dean Pietro Belluschi of M.I.T.'s School of Architecture and Planning: Architect Carlos Contreras of Mexico City; Thomas Creighton, editor of Progressive Architecture; James W. Elmore, Phoenix architect and associate professor of architecture at Arizona State College in Tempe; and Nathaniel Owings, of Skidmore, Owings and

#### Other current competitions

Architects and engineers as well as electrical contractors, electrical wholesale distributors, and electrical utility personnel - principal or employe in all cases - are eligible to compete in the 1957 International Lighting Competition sponsored by the magazines Electrical Construction and Maintenance, Electrical Wholesaling and Electrical World, with the cooperation of the National Lighting Bureau (National Electrical Manufacturers Association). Cash awards of \$100, \$50, and three of \$25 each are offered for outstanding lighting installations in each of six categories industrial, store, office, institutional, outdoor lighting and residential lighting. The competition closes October 25. Inquiries to: Berlon C. Cooper, chairman,

ARCHITECTURAL PHOTOGRAPH-ERS held exhibit of members' work as feature of their association's recent convention, awarded prizes for the three photographs at left: top, Frank Lotz Miller's photograph of Tulane dormitory, Andry & Fietel, Ferret & Wolf, Ricciuti & Associates, Architects; center, Louis Reens' photograph of West Bridgewater, Mass., Elementary School, The Architects Collaborative, Architects; bottom, Mason Pawlak's photograph of General Motors Technical Center, Detroit, Eero Saarinen and Associates, Architects



STRUCTURE FOR TOMORROW-Louis Kahn (right), Philadelphia architect and planner, with Prof. Alan R. Solomon, director of Cornell art museum, inspecting Kahn's model of "tomorrow's municipal office building," project sponsored by Universal Atlas Cement Co. Building would utilize triangular frames of precast, prestressed concrete; hollow concrete sections provide arteries for air conditioning, heating and other service lines and a central core consolidates elevators and stairways



ALUMINUM SCULPTURE for aluminum award - the emblem of the 1957 R. S. Reynolds Memorial Award, presented at A.I.A. Centennial Convention to the three young Spanish architect winners (AR, May 1957, page 16B), was sculpture by Theodore Roszak, shown above at work on emblem - rivets and tack welds form temporary fastenings. Later all parts were permanently brazed and welded into a single structural unit

1957 International Lighting Competition, 330 West 42nd Street, New York 36. New York.

Parents' Magazine has announced its eighth annual Builders' Competition for the Best Homes for Families with Children. This one is for builders, but architects may wish to suggest entry of eligible houses they have designed. Houses must have been built and sold between July 1, 1956 and June 30, 1957 and must be owner-occupied by families with one or more children, cost \$25,000 or less.

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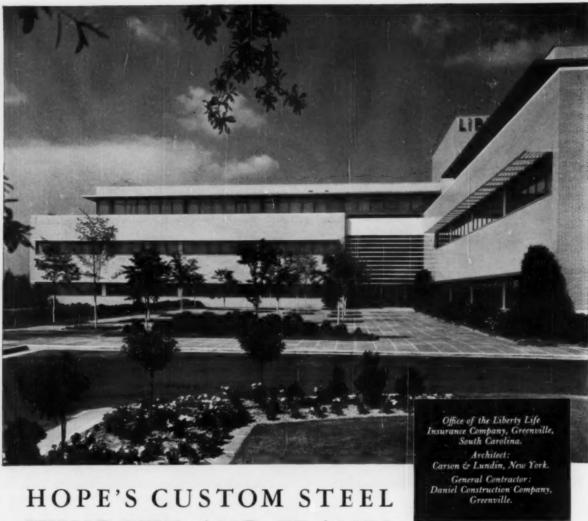
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#### ISSUE NEW DEFINITIVES FOR CAPEHART MILITARY HOUSING

Broad and flexible guides for architects designing military housing under the Capehart Housing Program have been issued by the Air Force. These are in the form of definitive drawings prepared by the firm of Spector and Montgomery, architect-engineers of Falls Church, Va.

These prototypes comprise a portion of the larger Air Force program involving definitives (AR, Aug. 1955, page 24) applicable to a wide range of installations — mess halls, barracks, officers' clubs, hangars, etc.

Spector and Montgomery turned out their drawings under the technical supervision of the Technical Branch, and administrative supervision of the Architectural Branch, Assistant Chief of Staff, Installations, Headquarters, USAF. Personnel directly responsible for the brochure containing these drawings are Leon Julius, chief of the technical branch; Lt. Col. E. H. Richardson, deputy chief; Lt. Col. E. J. Moses, all members of the Family Housing Division under the general supervision of Col. H. F. Troutman.

Early last month there were 15 proj-

ects in the Air Force program actually under construction. These involved 10,-811 units. An additional 51 projects, involving some 32,000 units, are in various stages of design or have been readied for construction.

Officials charged with responsibility for this part of the military housing program were keeping close watch on legislation in Congress. It appeared certain that at least one additional year of life would be breathed into this operation. Both House and Senate had voted to extend the military housing portion of the basic law one full year beyond its expiration date of June 30, 1958, and the omnibus housing measure went to conference with this point resolved.

Mr. Julius explains that one of the most serious problems encountered has been the time element. From issuance of a design directive until a project is placed under construction, a period of approximately one year elapses. In order to acquaint architect-engineers with Air Force design philosophy as quickly and as painlessly as possible, the Air Force found it expedient to prepare the bro-

chure of definitive drawings.

Use of these guides is not confined to the Air Force, although this branch has been responsible for their preparation. Copies have been issued to all Air Force Command Headquarters in the U. S. and overseas; to the Bureau of Yards and Docks, U. S. Navy and to the Office of the Chief of Engineers, U. S. Army.

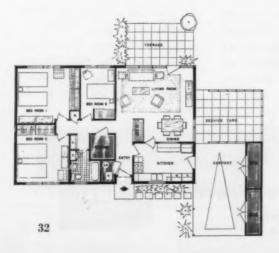
Adaptation of the drawings to specific operation of the program was described by Mr. Julius:

"The definitive drawings are given to architect-engineers for their information and guidance. They are not expected to serve as inflexible guides in the design of family housing. They are merely intended to outline the basic elements that should be followed to provide the best possible living standards for Air Force personnel under existing legislation. Designs have been deliberately based on conservative standards with accent on livability in order to appeal to a majority of Air Force personnel.

"Planning and circulation were prime considerations, with entrance halls giv-(Continued on page 360)







NEW DEFINITIVES consist of 30 sheets, 20½ x 15 in., each containing perspective, floor plan, alternate layouts and programming and master planning guide data for a particular kind of family housing under the Capehart program. Examples shown here (unrelated) are selected to suggest character of drawings and stylistic variety



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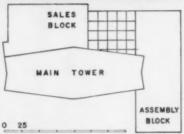
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#### NEW LANDMARK FOR BRITISH COLUMBIA: B.C. ELECTRIC TOWER

A diamond-shaped central core of reinforced concrete to house all services and provide almost the entire structural support of the building is the key to the scheme evolved for the new Head Office of the B.C. Electric Company in Vancouver. Sharp & Thompson, Berwick, Pratt were the architects, Fred N. Severud the structural engineer, John Laing & Son (Canada) Ltd. the general contractors. Tom Ingledow, vice president and executive engineer of B.C. Electric, personally directed the project for the company. After three years of planning, the building was constructed in 18 months and officially opened on March 28 of this year. It houses more than 1000 employes, provides a total floor area of 368,758 sq ft; estimated cost was \$6.5 million.

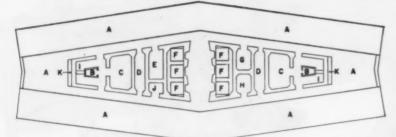
The building covers only two thirds of the site at ground level, and extends above the third floor as a tower occupying only a quarter of the site. Tower floors are cantilevered from the central core, with only light structural members on the outside walls to provide rigidity. Shape of the core resulted from compressing elevator shafts, stairs, wash-







21-story tower is one of three structurally independent components comprising the new Head Office of B.C. Electric. With the one-story assembly block and the three-story sales block, the building covers only two thirds of the site at ground level, one quarter above the third floor. Adjacent is the company's recently completed Dal Grauer Substation (visible at extreme left in photo at right above)



rooms, heating and ventilating ducts, piping and other services into the least possible space; the core is surrounded by rectangular blocks of office space, all outside space, with no employe more than 15 ft from a window. The central core extends two and a half stories above the top floor to house the elevator equipment and air conditioning apparatus.

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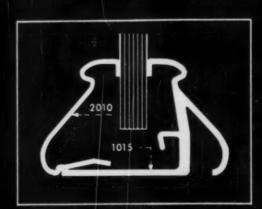
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#### COMMONWEALTH CONFERENCES ON ARCHITECTURE PROPOSED

Kenneth M. B. Cross, president of the Royal Institute of British Architects now on a world tour, has proposed a series of Commonwealth conferences on architecture. Mr. Cross made the proposal in a speech at the annual meeting of the Toronto Chapter of the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada held May 23.

To be held in turn, every three years, in each country of the British Commonwealth, the conferences would fulfill a two-fold purpose of mutual interest. They would provide a medium (1) for exchanging professional views and experiences and (2) for assessing the architect's position amidst changing conditions.

The R.I.B.A., Mr. Cross said, would welcome the opportunity to act as a

host for the first conference, to be held in London

Mr. Cross is accompanied on his tour by C. D. Spragg, secretary of the British Institute. Leaving London on March 20, they have already visited Singapore, Australia, New Zealand, Fiji, Hawaii, San Francisco, Vancouver, Edmonton and Montreal. They were guests at the recent A.I.A. convention in Washington and were to attend the R.A.I.C. "Golden Jubilee" Assembly in Ottawa. Afterwards, they were to fly to New York, then back to London.

He and Mr. Spragg, Mr. Cross said, brought with them a greeting of goodwill and fellowship transmitted "with considerable feeling" by the R.I.B.A. Council. At the same time, he continued, their visit presented an opportunity to focus attention on questions of education and professional recognition.

The British Institute feels more elasticity in the registration requirements of its component societies is essential to enable younger architects to seek careers wherever they desire. Mr. Cross suggested that one general examination might be held for all parts of the Commonwealth, supplemented by local examinations where necessary. Thus, a

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BRITISH COLUMBIA Telephone Company is building major extension to its head office, William Farrell Building in Vancouver. Main portion of extension has composite function, housing both offices and equipment; four-story structure on roof also contains offices. Construction is reinforced concrete with main façade a curtain wall of aluminum multions and porcelain enamel sandwich spandrels. End (north) wall is brick. Tower is for Trans-Canada television and telephone microwave system. Building, comprising about 170,000 sq ft of floor area, is to be ready for occupancy in late 1958. Architects and engineers: McCarter, Nairne & Partners



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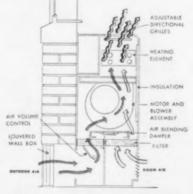
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student trained in a West African office could pass the general examination in his own country, then, upon moving to London or Toronto, could qualify professionally by passing a local examination there.

George Whale, chairman of the Toronto Chapter, did not comment upon Mr. Cross's proposals, but it was evident from the applause that they had been heard by a receptive audience.

### 1957 HIGH OF \$6.7 BILLION EXPECTED IN CONSTRUCTION

Construction in 1957 will reach a new high of \$6.7 billion, according to the latest estimate of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. This is five per cent above last year's total, and would have been more were it not for credit restrictions and a slowdown in house building.

Hbspitals and stores, plus major developments in power, gas and oil facilities, will lead the parade of new projects.

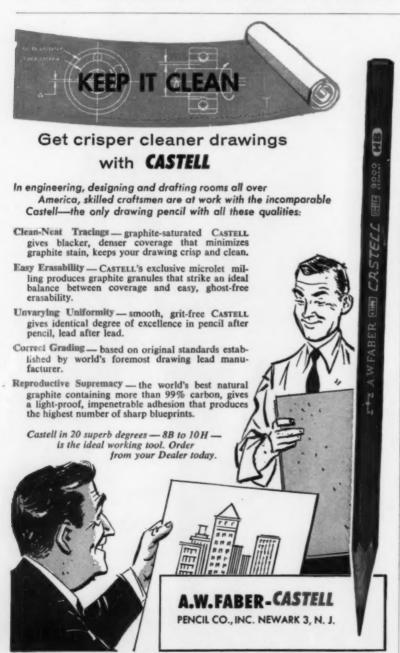
Meanwhile, white the general level of business activity remains slightly above that of 1956, there is increasing evidence of spottiness. The pressure of rising costs has produced a profit squeeze in fields where intense competition prevails, notably in chemicals and consumer durables. Residential construction, of course, is a soft spot. Other dubious quantities are lumber, non-ferrous metals and textiles.

An important stimulating influence in the economy is the continued high level of capital expenditures, although there is some evidence now of a tendency to level off.

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LIBBY, MCNEILL & LIBBY of Canada Ltd. completed this new administration building in Chatham, Ont., last year at a unit cost of one dollar per cu ft (not including furnishings). It has a structural steel frame, is two stories high throughout, with laboratory, cafeteria and plant washrooms on the first floor; general and executive offices, conference rooms and office machines room are on the second floor. The building is connected to an existing plant behind it by means of a stairway and corridor which join levels and provide direct access from the plant to cafeteria, washrooms and general offices. Main objective in planning was flexibility, achieved in the structural design by an open span on the general office and in the mechanical and electrical design by use of a cellular steel floor system and luminous ceilings which, in the general office, have air conditioning plenum above. All partitions are movable. Architect: Joseph W. Storey, Chatham; mechanical engineer: R. W. Dixon; electrical engineer: McGregor-Anderson



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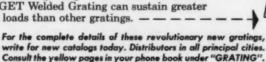
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From a short term viewpoint, difficulties may crop up when the momentum of the present growth program abates. Some readjustment may develop — perhaps next year — but it is expected to be relatively mild and probably salutary.

So far as the medium and long term are concerned, no one can fail to be impressed with the outlook for business. Canadians have abundant resources and a plentiful supply of capital from abroad to supplement their own funds in developing their country rapidly.

### NEW FELLOWS, ARTS AWARD ANNOUNCED BY, THE R.A.I.C.

The Allied Arts Medal, presented each year by the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada for outstanding achievement in arts related to architecture, has been awarded to Miss Yvonne Williams of Toronto, designer and maker of stained glass, and Alan B. Beddoe, O.B.E., of Ottawa, artist.

D. E. Kertland, of Toronto, president of the R.A.I.C., says Miss Williams and Mr. Beddoe have become two more of an increasing group of outstanding Canadians in the fields of allied arts whose works have brought credit to their professions and pleasure to the public.

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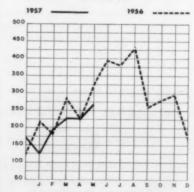
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Election of 13 new members to the Colledge of Fellows was also announced by Mr. Kertland. The architects honored are Douglas E. Catto, Toronto; Colin Drever, Kingston; William E.

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Federal aid to airport construction and highway building was assured in the Commerce Department appropriations bill passed by Congress early last month.

The \$613 million fiscal 1958 money measure contained \$25 million for the airport construction program, which will be used along with \$17.5 million pending from prior appropriations. This gives the Civil Aeronautics Authority just over \$42 million for this type of work during the fiscal year.

The bill also authorized use of \$1.6 billion from the Highway Trust Fund for Federal aid to highway construction.

The construction expenditure statistics of the Business and Defense Services Administration were not as severely affected in the general BDSA curtailment of 1958 funds as had earlier been expected. A spokesman for the building materials division said it was thought

the shop would operate at about the same personnel level as in fiscal 1957. and that only the continuing effort to develop better statistics would be affected drastically.

#### THREE-YEAR EXTENSION OF LEASE-PURCHASE IS ASKED

The Senate's subcommittee on public buildings and grounds called for carrying on the lease-purchase program of the General Services Administration for another three years. A number of changes were recommended to make the program more palatable for lenders and contractors.

The executive session action followed hearings during which GSA had announced it would immediately reinstate the lease-purchase program after a temporary suspension ordered earlier this

Broadly stated, the amendments proposed by GSA and backed by the subcommittee would (1) permit starting the purchase contract term at the start of construction in order to eliminate short term borrowing for construction; (2) allow GSA some flexibility with respect to the cost of the buildings (the agency is not now permitted to change its original estimate, despite the fact that costs often rise in the months from the time Congress approves a project until it is ready for bids); (3) extend the act for three more years past its expiration date of July 22, 1957; (4) remove the limitation of the annual amount of payments to 15 per cent of the fair market value because of the difficulty of determining in advance what the fair market value will be; and (5) put in new language pledging the full faith and credit of the government in the lease purchase contracts. The next step was for the full public works committee of the Senate to consider its subcommittee recommendations

With resumption of the program, GSA announced it would continue advertising 39 projects costing an estimated total of \$71 million during the next five months. The agency said early this year it suspended the program because of inflationary pressures caused by unnecessary competition for labor, materials and equipment.

#### \$1.5 BILLION SCHOOL BILL HEADS FOR HOUSE DEBATE

One of the most controversial pieces of legislation in the 85th Congress, the (Continued on page 362)



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#### CUTTING OFF A NOSE SPITES THE FACE

Names make news" is an old newspaper adage that continues to be current because it states a fact so basic that a newspaper can't ignore it in forming its policy. Names do make news—all names but the architect's.

A dog bites a person — man, woman or child; this is news, and is so treated. An accident occurs, a prize is won, a party is given — the names of the people involved in these events are newsworthy and are duly reported.

A building is built, a large project is proposed, the face of a city is changed — the names of city officials, contractors, building owners, dignitaries of this or that organization, are mentioned and identified. But the name of the man who gave the project form, whose ideas, for better or worse, affect the pattern of living of many people — this name is all too often omitted in the news story on the building.

Why?

The only answer newspapers have so far made to this question is that since architects don't advertise, the newspaper isn't interested in "giving them free publicity."

Do the people who give parties, who get bitten by dogs, win prizes, advertise? Is that why the newspaper considers their names newsworthy? If they don't, then the press today is governed by a double standard of newsworthiness.

There are no faceless men of science, no anonymous men of medicine (unless they ask not to be mentioned by name). The trial lawyer's name is on everyone's tongue at least while a trial is on.

Do these professionals advertise? Have you ever seen an advertisement for a law firm's services? What makes their names more newsworthy — and less advertising-prone — than the names of the men who design the buildings where scientists perform their modern miracles, where doctors bring healing to the sick, where lawyers probe for answers to life and death questions?

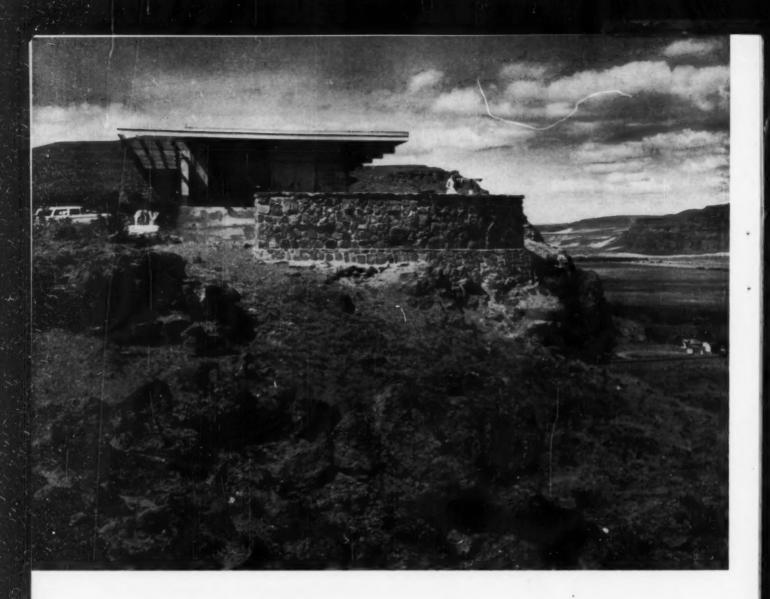
These buildings which help to shape our way of living, of working, of learning, of playing and worshipping and getting well were not dropped fully built onto their sites. The actuality of each resulted from concepts in the minds of men, men who conceived the project, men who conceived its form, men who detailed its construction and men who carried out its construction.

There is plenty of newsworthiness in the names of *all* the men who are a part of such a project, not in just some of them and certainly not just in those who advertise. If advertising becomes the criterion for newsworthiness, what strength has a newspaper as a *news*paper? Whose face is being spited by cutting off a nose? The newspaper's just as much as the architect's.

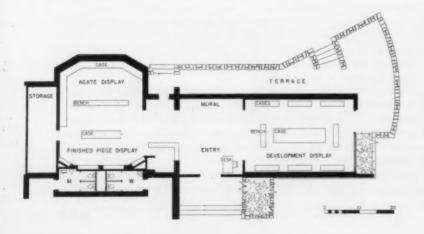
Newspapers know the Institute's position on advertising by individual architectural firms, and some respect it. But others do not and they raise the question whenever they can. Only architects themselves can answer them. Just recently a newsman, urging some form of advertising as a "starter," said, "Once you get in and advertise on one level, you'll be surprised how easy it is to follow through on individual advertising!"

Is this what the newspapers say to scientists, to doctors, to lawyers? Is this the pressure on modern professionals? If it is, architecture's answer must be firm and united.

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#### A MUSEUM IN A PETRIFIED FOREST



Ginkgo Museum, situated on a high, barren cliff overlooking the Columbia River and the town of Vantage, Wash., is designed to display rare and beautiful examples of petrified wood from an ancient forest, geological specimens and Indian relics from the surrounding region. Built by the Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission as an addition to an existing structure erected years ago under the CCC program, the museum will eventually be completed as a U-shaped structure with an almostenclosed court containing an outdoor petrified wood exhibition.

The native stone used in the present building for fences, parapets and plant boxes relates the building to its site not only in texture — rough and strong — but in color — purple-black, dark red and brown — as well. Architects: D. M. Sibold, R. B. Price, C. L. Baker.





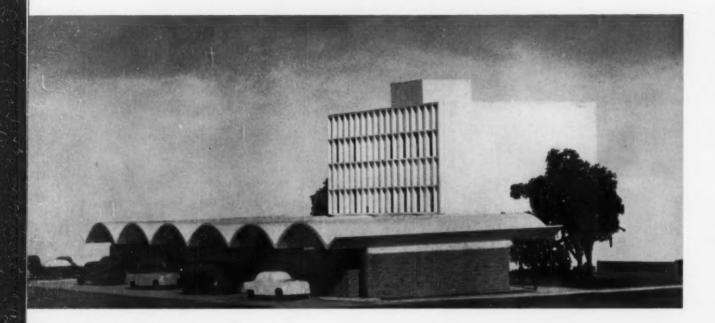
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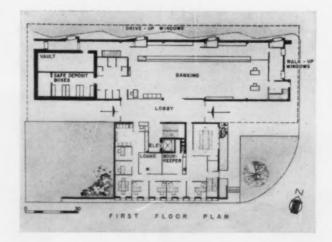
Colored relief carvings in oak boards of door are by Lionel Pries. Mural opposite entrance is by Sarah Spurgeon. Site, almost prehistoric in its arid desolation, overlooks magnificent view of Columbia River flanked by its dark, lava rock buttes; south end of development display room opens to view. Fragments of multi-colored petrified trees surround museum

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EACH SECTION of the new building for the First National Bank, now under construction in Boulder, Colo., provides for a different kind of banking operation. The single-story, shell-roofed section makes readily accessible all of the facilities most frequently used by the public: safe deposit boxes and booths, paying and receiving windows, both inside in the large column-free banking room and outside where wickets provide for deposits by motorists and by pedestrians. Offices for more private transactions - loans of various types, trust and installment handling - and executive offices are located in the three-story section which is joined to the banking room by a common lobby. The concrete shell roof, an unconservative approach to a structure for a notably conservative type of institution, was enthusiastically received by the bank's officers as an answer to their need for banking space free of columns and as complement in structure and texture to the rough native sandstone used on the walls. Architect: Hobart D. Wagener; structural engineers: Ketchum and Konkel.



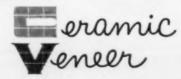


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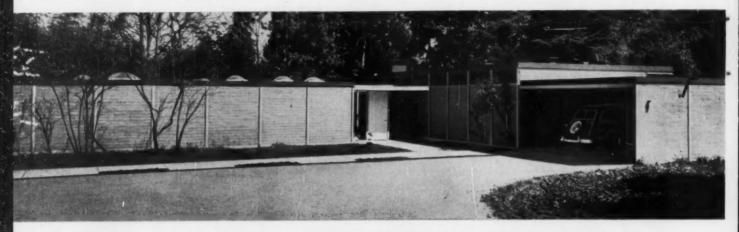
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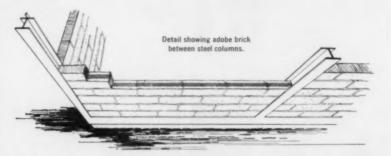






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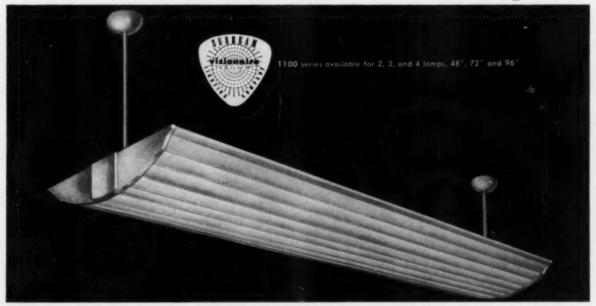
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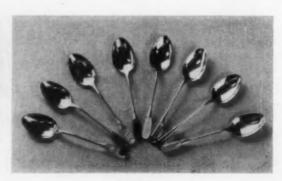
Screened regionally before the jury judgment, the submissions from five Western states to this year's Designer Craftsmen show at San Francisco's De Young Museum make an interesting commentary on the state of design in the West, in this segment of the field at least. Of the several hundred entries for the show, less than half were retained for exhibition, and of these only 23 received awards and mentions.

Such strict selection is not only a tribute to a conscientious jury which insisted on quality but to the artists and craftsmen of the premiated entries. The jury - all Westerners: Hal Painter, Merry Renk, Herbert Sanders, Herwin Schaefer and Rudolph Shaeffer - set as their criteria workmanship "which makes no fetish of crudeness nor virtue of sloppiness": materials, "flawless and genuine, enhanced and their beauty revealed rather than spoiled by the craftsman's work"; "purpose, use or meaning in the object... not mere caprice, whimsy or fashion"; and "creativeness, sensitivity and mastery of form, not novelty, experimentation or reliance on the fortuitous accident.

Ceramics, printed textiles and handweaving make up the bulk of the show. Objects on display until July 31 were designed for use in interior design as well as examples of craft media and, in the case of the textiles and weaving, for fashion.









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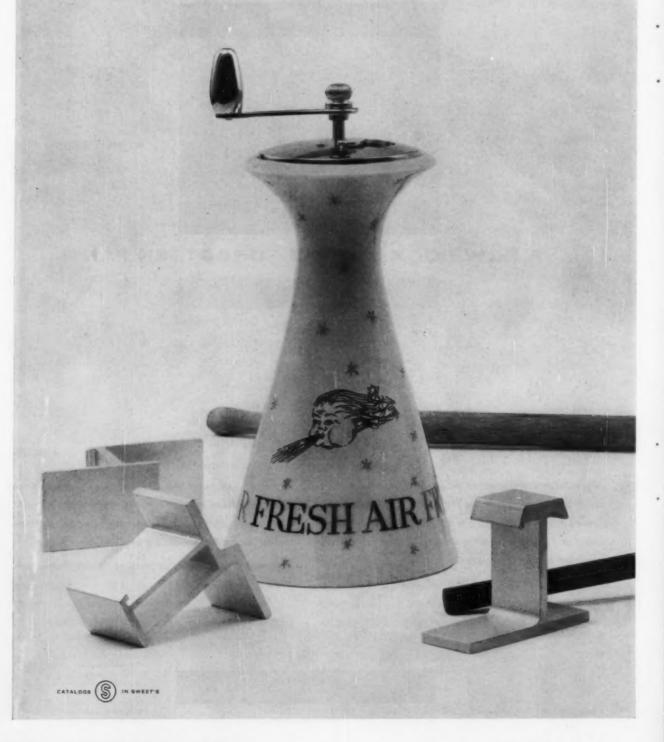
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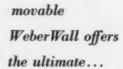
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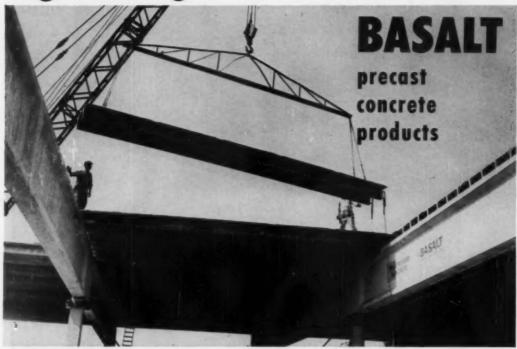
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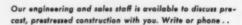
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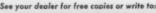
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### THE METROPOLITAN WEST CALIFORNIA

#### No Practice Act This Year

The high hopes with which California architects viewed the opening of this year's legislature were dashed by session's end: the bill which would have redefined the practice of architecture in the state and brought its requirements more into line with the present engineers' act was tabled.

During the legislature's five-month session, the bill had its bright moments. After successfully weathering three hearings in the Assembly, it was unanimously passed. But in the Senate it got no farther than the Business and Professions Committee.

Although endorsed by almost all representatives of the building industry in the state, the bill was strenuously opposed by two groups, the United Designers Association and the Southern California Building Contractors Association, whose arguments—that the bill would restrict the unlicensed designer even more than the present act does—impressed the senators with greater force than did the architects'.

The legislative record did, however, chalk up one hit for architects. The bills which proposed a sliding fee for design of public buildings by architects, made permissive the engaging of an architect on school work and set a flat five per cent fee for school work, were all killed in committee.

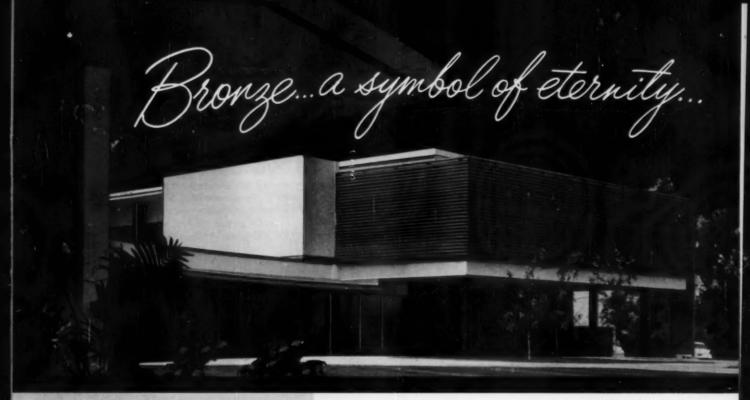
#### A City Asks for Beauty

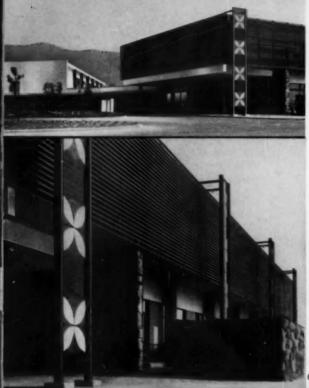
A year ago San Francisco voted \$19,-000,000 worth of bonds to build a new Hall of Justice and selected architects Weihe, Frick and Kruse to design it. According to the city's charge to the architects, it was to be a "plain, usable building."

When the first sketch of the building was released late in May, reaction was immediate. Some felt that the building as designed would not only meet practical requirements but would do so hand-somely. But others, apparently in the majority, disagreed loudly.

City officials, urged by the mayor to "take a careful look" at the building, heard him state that the Hall of Justice should not be a "drab thing that would scare you to go in." Strongest defender of the design was Public Works Director Sherman Duckel, according to a news story in the San Francisco Chronicle which quoted him as saying it was "good functional design" and "suitable for the neighborhood in which it will be built."

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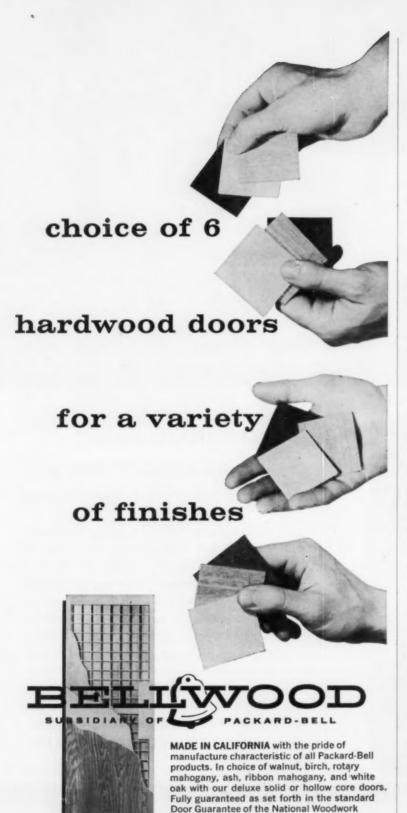
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# THE METROPOLITAN WEST

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One reason for the hubbub was that at the time the bond issue was being promoted, a sketch of a building was used to attract voters. The sketch, made by the office of the city architect, showed a building of very different character from the one designed by Weihe, Frick and Kruse on a site quite unlike that finally accepted for the building. The public, expecting one thing and apparently getting another, was confused.

In the meantime, the Art Commission which had approved the first sketches submitted by the architects - was awaiting a model of the building which would define the concepts indicated in the sketches.

The building is to house administrative offices for ten law enforcement agencies - offices, courts, juvenile bureau, the city's legal officers, city prison, county jail, and police department.

### Good News in Los Angeles

Two big problems in the West's largest city may be on the way to solution as a result of bond issues and a new law signed last month by Governor Knight. The two bond issues - a \$39,000,000 one for parks and recreation areas and a \$6,400,000 one for new library buildings - will provide facilities for the public's growing leisure time. Included in the parks program is a new \$6,600,000 zoological park in Chavez Ravine, once proposed as a site for a housing project to be designed by Richard Neutra.

The other problem - how to get the millions who live around Los Angeles as well as in it to and from their jobs, shopping and other activities - will be tackled by the board of the Metropolitan Transit Authority which will be set up under a new law. It will be empowered to buy the city's present public transit system and, when it has the funds to do so, to build the rapid transit system so sorely needed.

# L. A. Skyscrapers Need Enabling Law

Although its residents voted last November to set aside Los Angeles' height limit restriction, the necessary amendment to the city's code has not yet been drawn up. As a result, construction of several tall buildings has been held up.

Meantime, the City Planning Commission is holding hearings to establish some districts as areas where buildings of unlimited height can be built and others as height limit areas.

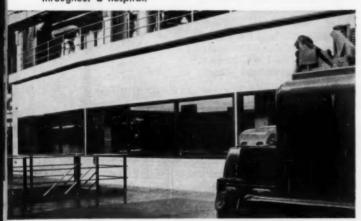
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### THE METROPOLITAN WEST

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# A Site for S. F.'s Federal Building

The huge new office building which the U. S. government proposes to build in San Francisco - when, as and if the federal lease-purchase program is resumed - will be located on a site on Golden Gate Avenue between Larkin and Polk streets near the Civic Center. Although construction is temporarily deferred, funds for site acquisition are available, according to General Services Administration officials.

No architects had been selected for the \$45,000,000 project at the time the lease-purchase program was suspended.

### WASHINGTON

# **GSA Proposes New Method**

Suspension of the lease-purchase program fer construction of new public buildings put the government on a bad spot in some localities where inadequate and obsolete public buildings - post offices, especially - were said to be hampering federal services. In most instances, projects were "deferred." In some, new ways of making construction feasible were being sought.

One proposal, suggested in connection

with a new three-story post office in down-town Seattle, was recently made by General Services Administration. GSA offered to trade 110 ft of frontage pext to the proposed building's site in exchange for construction of the post office building according to the government's specifications. The new building would cost an estimated \$800,000.

The successful bidder could conceivably use the site, acquired by trade, in any way he wanted. The possibility was, however, that the site would be used for construction of a parking garage which could be used in connection with a proposed new 20-story office building the University of Washington would like to build next to the 110-ft government owned lot.

# Fair — but Warmer

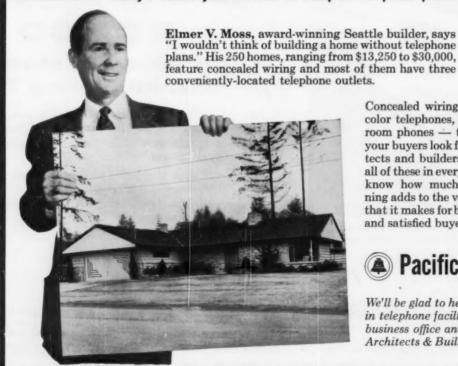
Seattle's world's fair - or Festival of the West, as it is being called - may be ready by its present target date (summer of 1960) but there seems to be some doubt that Seattle itself will be ready for the stream of visitors which a world's fair conjures up. The biggest reason for the doubt is that so far construction has not started on the TacomaSeattle-Everett expressway, authorized by the state's last legislature.

The expressway route cuts right through the heart of Seattle's main business district. Since it is to be a full city block wide, the prospect of treating visitors to such a gaping hole is anything but alluring to the home town people, some of whom were none too enthusiastic about the expressway in any case.

The fair commission, however, is proceeding with its plans for opening in 1960, 50 years after the Alaska-Yukon exposition opened in the same city, and for continuing the fair during the summer and early fall months of the following year.

When Seattle last fall voted \$7,500,000 in bonds for a new civic center, the legislature matched these funds with state money for a fair to be held in the city's civic center, thus aiding the development of the civic center in more ways than one, and at the same time making the fair project feasible. Some of the fair buildings will become permanent civic center buildings; the fair needs a larger site than the civic center. To adjust these and other problems, the civic center advisory committee and the World's Fair Commission are working

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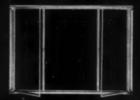
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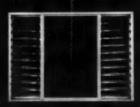
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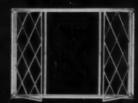
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# WASTE SPACE

### Addenda: A Western Gumbo

Sir Hugh Casson, a British architect who visited San Francisco recently, came up with a suggestion for the harried people of San Francisco who daily see the progress of the freeway toward the front of the Ferry Building which it soon will obliterate.

Move it, said Sir Hugh. Let the freeway go where it inexorably is going to go. Just move the building to the other side of it. On second thought, he added: why bother with the whole building; why not just move the tower?

With freeways cutting across, through, over and maybe under our cities, this may be a factor to take into consideration in designing tomorrow's buildings. Buildings with parts that can be split off—and no harm done, like those necklaces with pop-off beads—could be the answer. But let's hope not.

An architect visiting the National Association of Architectural Metal Manufacturers' convention in San Francisco in May could have felt right at home in some of the discussions. If he had substituted "drafting room" when they used "shop" and "design" when they used "service," and realized that when they said "client" they meant the architect — he would have found that NAAMM members have what are, essentially, the same problems he has.

At one of the division meetings the chairman, reporting on the year's activity, said: "We bandy words like "efficiency" and "profitable" without any idea of how to realize them." If misery loves company, that should make us feel well companioned.

May was the month for meetings. The American Nuclear Society — a national organization of nuclear scientists and engineers whose objective is to "advance nuclear science and allied arts and sciences" - held a branch section meeting at the dedication of General Electric's new Vallecitos Laboratory near Pleasanton, Calif. Not only were such mysterious things as neutron fluxes discussed, but representatives of the rapidly expanding nuclear industry in the San Francisco Bay Area described progress in design of power reactors and showed details of each of the types the various companies are working on.

The interesting thing was that nobody seemed to be interested in *copying* what another company had done; the free interchange of information was, rather, a stimulus to design a better reactor. Talk about sermons in stones! There are, apparently, morals in scram rods.

Why do some builders shy from contemporary design and prefer to build the so-called "fairy-tale" house, complete with wishing-well in the front yard (even if the back half of the roof is surfaced with composition shingles while the front boasts wood shakes)?

Well, there must be reasons, but the most volubly expressed is that that's what the public wants. How do they know that's what the public wants? With a triumphant gleam, they'll tell you: that's what the public buys. You could argue till you turned blue that the public's pocketbook had more to do with it than the wishing well or the scalloped fringe along the eaves. But you wouldn't shift their conviction that the public buys what it wants, not what it can afford.

Two things stood out at a recent meeting of the Young Home Builders Council in Los Angeles. One was that the builder is a victim of the layman's fault of thinking in details - the "dropped" ceiling, the built-in planter, the Mr. and Mrs. medicine cabinets, all the array of gimmicks and tricks - and not of the overall design. He's thinking of talking points, not of the sum total in living experience that the house he builds will represent. And he has to have talking points that he understands because he has to make sales. He understands these details: he's lost with the intangibles of which architects talk.

The other point that the meeting brought out was heartening. The architect isn't so completely ignored in the builder's thinking as he thinks he is. But the architect isn't very well known among builders. He can't expect them to know him if he doesn't know them.

### Errors and Omissions

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### PROFESSIONAL NEWS

Western Architects Plan Annual Conventions

Architects of the Western Mountain Region, A.I.A., will meet this year at Jackson Lake Lodge, Jackson Lake, Wyo., September 5–7 for their annual regional conference. Theme of the conference is "Nature in Architecture." Speakers invited to participate in the program include John Knox Shear, Record editor in chief; Carlos Contreras, Mexican architect and planner; Milton Horne; and Leon Chatelain, A.I.A. national president. Robert Wehrli, Wyoming chapter president, is convention chairman; Bradley Kidder is regional director.

"Design Through Structure" has been chosen as the theme of one panel discussion, and "Urban Development" of another, at the twelfth annual convention of the California Council, A.I.A. to be held October 2–6 at the Hotel del Coronado, near San Diego. Wallace Bonsall is convention advisory committee chairman; Ulysses Floyd Rible is regional director. A meeting of the regional council (comprising representatives of all chapters in California, Nevada and Hawaii) will also be held during the convention.

Architects Jose Luis Sert, Francis Joseph McCarthy, Henry Hill and editors John Knox Shear and Thomas Creighton head the list of speakers on "Expanding the Practice of Architecture," theme of the Northwest Regional conference to be held in Gearhart, Ore., October 17–20. John Dukehart is conference chairman; Donald Stewart is regional director.

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- To July 28: Landscape Architecture 1958, San Francisco Museum of Art
- To July 31: "Designer-Craftsmen of the West, 1957," juried exhibition, M. H. DeYoung Memorial Museum, Golden Gate Park, San Francisco
- July 29-August 2: World Conference on Prestressed Concrete, University of California, Extension Division, and Prestressed Concrete Institute, Fairmont Hotel, San Francisco
- September 5-7: Western Mountain Region Conference, Jackson Lake Lodge, Jackson Hole, Wyo.
- October 2–6: California Council, A.I.A., annual convention, and California-Nevada-Hawaii Regional Council, Hotel del Coronado, Coronado, Calif.
- October 17-20: Northwest Region, A.I.A., annual conference, Gearhart, Ore.
- October 17–20: California Council of Landscape Architects annual convention, Mark Thomas Inn, Monterey, Calif.
- October 31-November 2: Structural Engineers Association of California annual convention, Hotel del Coronado, Calif.

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# Subject: CURTAIN WALLS

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Question: Would you say, then, that a curtain wall building delivers more floor space, actually and psychologically, for less money?

Mr. Daly: Not necessarily for less money. It can mean a less expensive building for a

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given amount of floor space, but the skin materials chosen for aesthetic reasons may obviate the possible economy. To go to the extreme, gold spandrels would mean a very costly building.

Psychologically, curtain walls with large windows and low convectors beneath them make complete sense. Offices used to be built larger than they actually needed to be, to create the feeling of spaciousness. More windows with less floor space would have made them feel just as big.

Furthermore, an office like this is inflexible. Floor space is difficult to redivide when you have wide piers between windows. With virtually continuous modular windows, interior partitions can be more easily changed at every 4' 2" interval.

Question: Would you care to say what the average cost of a curtain wall building runs today, per square foot of floor space?

Mr. Daly: In the first place, costs obviously will vary widely with locality and site conditions. But one could say that a representative income rental building of average proportions, in the 20 to 30-story class, ranges from \$20 to \$26 per square foot gross — without allowances for interior changes by tenants, financing costs and other variables.

But let me say, also, that if anyone were thinking of initial cost only, there wouldn't be many so-called metal-and-glass-clad buildings. Masonry and small windows would be cheaper in initial cost, cheaper to air condition. But the appeal of such a building doesn't compare with skin-type construction having big windows which give occupants a greater sense of spaciousness, more daylight, a wide view, a modern feeling. These things, plus the flexibility of interior partitioning and modular efficiency, outweigh the initial cost consideration.

Question: In what ways have curtain wall materials and erection methods been improved in recent years?

Mr. Daly: Many ways. Big advances have been made in the manner of treating expansion and contraction of skin materials, of flashing spandrels to take care of minor leakages that were one of the growing pains. Excellent elastic-type calking compounds and long-life gasketing have been developed.

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Question: What has been your experience with glass as a spandrel or facing material?

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Question: Are there any other advantages of curtain wall construction, from the general contractor's viewpoint, that you would like to mention?

Mr. Daly: The reduction of wet construction is one. That means earlier completion of interior trades because they don't have to wait so long for drying out. Also, curtain walls go up faster, especially glass or metal skins. Erection crews can start later and yet wind up the job at the same time that masons would finish. In general, there is more rapid turnover of labor and materials. Less time is spent on the job by the different trades. And the nonporous facings, especially glass, speed cleanup after completion.

Question: What do you foresee for curtain wall construction in the next five years?

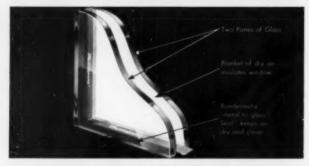
Mr. Daly: Because it has such great appeal to owners and occupants and is economically sound, the curtain wall trend will definitely continue. There will be an even higher percentage of this type of building constructed in the next five years.

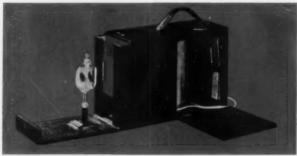
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U. S. average 1926-1929 = 100

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Period	Brick	Frame	and Concr.	Concr.	Steel	Brick	Frame	and Concr.	Concr.	Steel
1930	127.0	126.7	124.1	128.0	123.6	82.1	80.9	84.5	86.1	83.6
1935	93.8	91.3	104.7	108.5	105.5	72.3	67.9	84.0	87.1	85.1
1939	123.5	122.4	130.7	133.4	130.1	86.37	83.1	95.1	97.4	94.7
1946	181.8	182.4	177.2	179.0	174.8	148.1	149.2	136.8	136.4	135.1
1947	219.3	222.0	207.6	207.5	203.8	180.4	184.0	158.1	157.1	158.0
1948	250.1	251.6	239.4	242.2	235.6	199.2	202.5	178.8	178.8	178.8
1949	243.7	240.8	242.8	246.4	240.0	189.3	189.9	180.6	180.8	177.5
1950	256.2	254.5	249.5	251.5	248.0	194.3	196.2	185.4	183.7	185.0
1951	273.2	271.3	263.7	265.2	262.2	212.8	214.6	204.2	202.8	205.0
1952	278.2	274.8	271.9	274.9	271.8	218.8	221.0	212.8	210.1	214.3
1953	281.3	277.2	281.0	286.0	282.0	223.3	224.6	221.3	221.8	223.0
1954	285.0	278.2	293.0	300.6	295.4	219.6	219.1	223.5	225.2	225.4
1955	293.1	286.0	300.0	308.3	302.4	225.3	225.1	229.0	231.5	231.8
1956	310.8	302.2	320.1	328.6	324.5	237.2	235.7	241.7	244.4	246.4
еь. 1957	316.5	306.5	329.5	341.2	335.1	239.8	238.1	245.7	248.7	250.8
Mar. 1957	316.5	306.5	329.5	341.2	335.1	239.8	238.1	245.7	248.7	250.8
рг. 1957	316.5	306.5	329.8	341.8	335.4	239.4	237.7	245.2	248.3	250.4
	% increase over 1939					% increase over 1939				
Apr. 1957	156.3	150.4	152.2	156.2	157.8	177.4	186.0	157.8	154.9	164.4

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Apr. 1957	161.9	162.1	ncrease over 144.4	1939	149.0	168.5	174.7	153.6	153.0	160.8
Apr. 1957	288.6	280.4	290.1	301.8	296.3	283.5	272.8	297.7	308.4	303.8
Mar. 1957	289.0	280.8	290.6	302.2	296.7	283.1	272.4	296.9	307.4	303.4
Feb. 1957	289.7	281.1	291.0	302.6	297.2	283.1	272.4	296.9	307.4	303.4
1956	288.7	280.3	287.9	299.2	293.3	279.0	270.0	288.9	298.6	295.8
1955	273.3	266.5	272.2	281.3	276.5	268.0	259.6	275.0	284.4	279.6
1954	266.6	260.2	263.7	273.3	266.2	257.4	249.2	264.1	272.5	267.2
1953	263.4	256.4	259.0	267.6	259.2	255.2	257.2	256.6	261.0	259.7
1952	259.1	253.2	249.7	255.0	249.6	250.2	245.0	245.6	248.7	249.6
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1949	221.4	220.7	212.8	215.7	213.6	213.0	207.1	214.0	219.8	216.1
1948	227.9	231.2	207.7	210.0	208.1	218.9	216.6	208.3	214.7	211.1
1947	202.4	203.8	183.9	184.2	184.0	193.1	191.6	183.7	186.8	186.9
1946	167.1	167.4	159.1	161.1	158.1	159.7	157.5	157.9	159.3	160.0
1939	110.2	107.0	118.7	119.8	119.0	105.6	99.3	117.4	121.9	116.5
1935	95.1	90.1	104.1	108.3	105.4	89.5	84.5	96.4	103.7	99.7
1930	108.9	108.3	112.4	115.3	111.3	90.8	86.8	100.4	104.9	100.4

Cost comparisons, as percentage differences for any particular type of construction, are possible between localities, or periods of time within the same city, by dividing the difference between the two index numbers by one of them; i.e.:

index for city A = 110 index for city B = 95

(both indexes must be for the same type of construction).

Then: costs in A are approximately 16 per cent higher than in B.

$$\frac{110-95}{95} = 0.158$$

Conversely: costs in B are approximately 14 per cent lower than in A.

$$\frac{110-95}{110} = 0.136$$

Cost comparisons cannot be made between different types of construction because the index numbers for each type relate to a different U. S. average for 1926–29.

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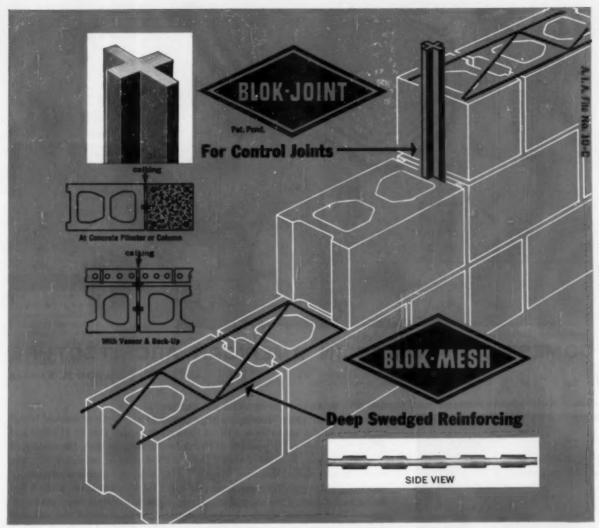
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# DOMESTIC MANNERS IN AMERICAN ARCHITECTURE

By ELIZABETH B. KASSLER

George Matsumoto, Architect



Eliot Noyes, Architect

Fired by the idea of producing an inexpensive paper-cover manual which architects might use to show a client the extraordinary variety of cause and effect that is currently possible in our domestic architecture, the editors of Architectural Record present their second annual selection of "the year's best architect-designed houses." This is by no means a reprint, as most of the twenty-five houses are published for the first time, while a few came to light in other magazines. Each house is allotted four handsome pages. This section is followed by a detailed comparison of the separate design elements (entrances, built-ins, terraces, etc.) and prefaced with a lively article on "The American at Home — 1957" by Russell Lynes, student of the American scene and managing editor of Harper's.

It is a happy circumstance that the astute and witty Mr. Lynes extends his trollopian concern for the domestic manners of the Americans to the houses which embody them. He takes as a text a quotation from the doughty 19th century phrenologist-octagonalist, Orson Squire Fowler: "Beautiful birds build tasty nests . . . a fancy man will build a fancy cottage, a practical man, a convenient house; a substantial man, a solid edifice; a weak man, an illy arranged house; an aspiring man, a high house, and a superior man, a superb villa." Anyone interested in architecture as a social art must hope that the sequence is also reversible — that high houses and superb villas will nurture an aspiring and superior breed of man as surely as the beautiful bird must issue from a tasty nest. Or was Fowler faulty in his ornithological premises, we in our sociological?

Some of these Record Houses (George Matsumoto's, for instance, and Philip Johnson's) are indeed high and superb and all-of-a-piece. Others might themselves be characterized as tasty nests, with here some lovely golden straws or twisted twigs, there a borrowed feather or a chic bright ribbon, and nothing much to hold the ingredients together as architecture.

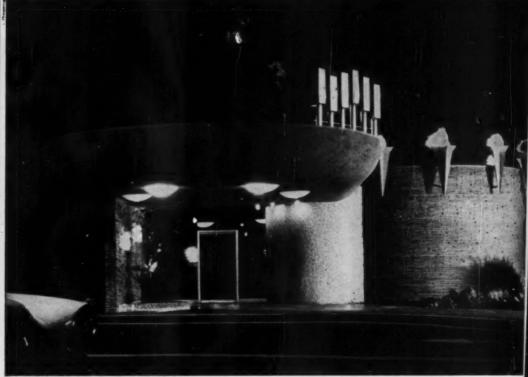
But the simile is limited. To judge from most of these houses, the nesting instinct is strictly for the birds. Neither warmth nor cosiness is necessarily adduced by natural materials and open fireplaces.

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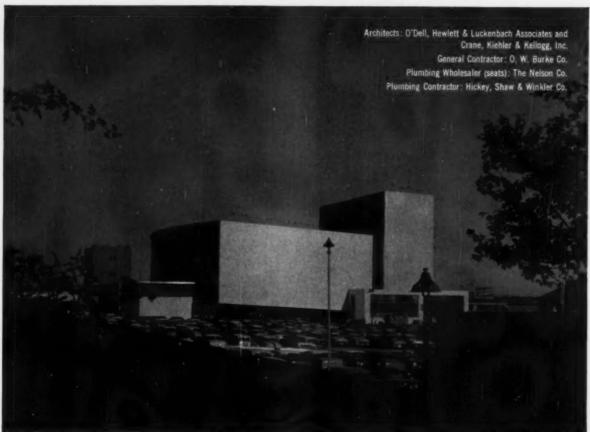
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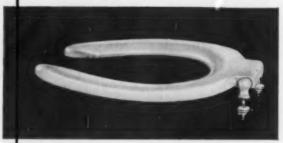
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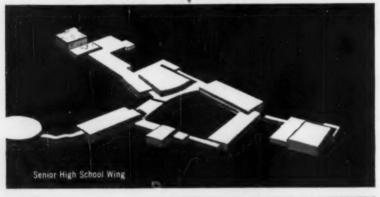


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### A LOOK BACK AT CALIFORNIA

Here Lived the Californians. By Oscar Lewis. Rinehart & Company, Inc. (N. Y.), 1957. 265 pp, illus. \$7.95.

From the merely picturesque to the eccentric, from the domestic to the magnificent, this richly illustrated informal history surveys California architecture through the last century to about 1910. Except for the contemporary Californiastyle house, which this book does not cover, practically every kind of residence, both indigenous and imported, may be found here.

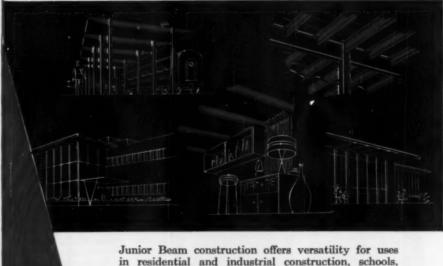
There is a house that was finished but never lived in, and there is a house that was lived in but never finished. Fire destroyed all but the shell of the first. Jack London's stone castle, only a few days before he was to move in, and his death soon afterwards stopped the rebuilding plans. As for the house that was never finished, its story seems peculiarly appropriate to a land of mysticism and flourishing cults. In the 1880's the wealthy widow of a Winchester Arms heir bought property not far from San Francisco on which a large house was being built. Mrs. Winchester had lost not only her husband but also her two children, and on a spiritualist's advice that she herself would live only so long as construction continued, she for her remaining thirty-eight years had carpenters add wings, build rooms within rooms, stairways that led nowhere, and doors that opened onto empty space. The rooms in the resulting sprawling structure have not even been counted.

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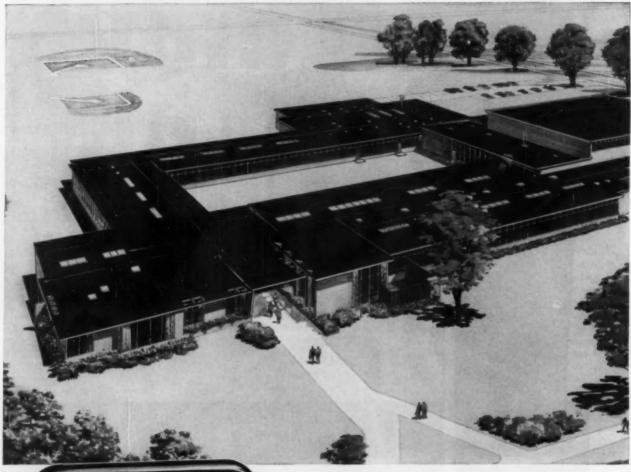
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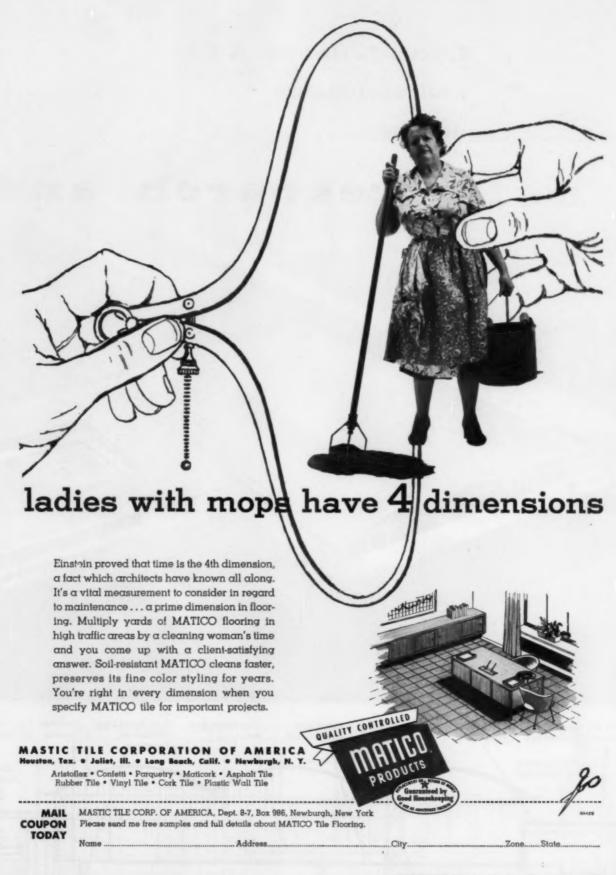






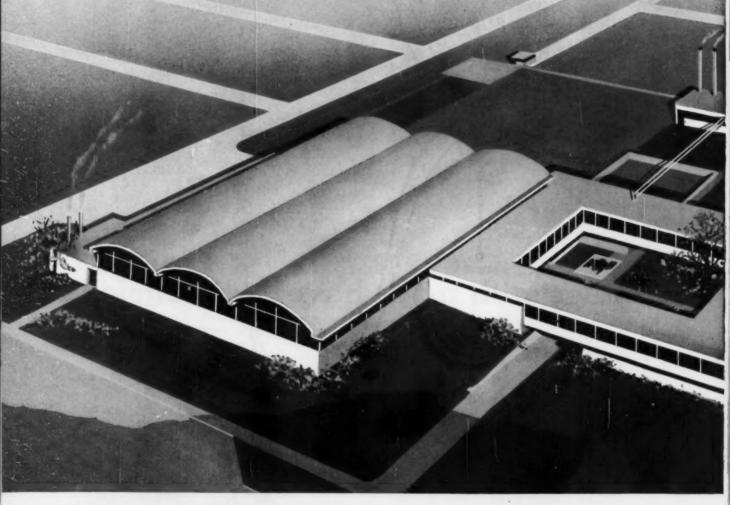


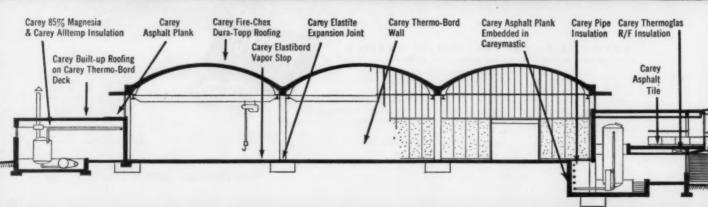
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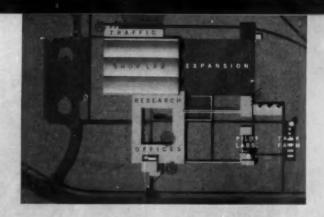


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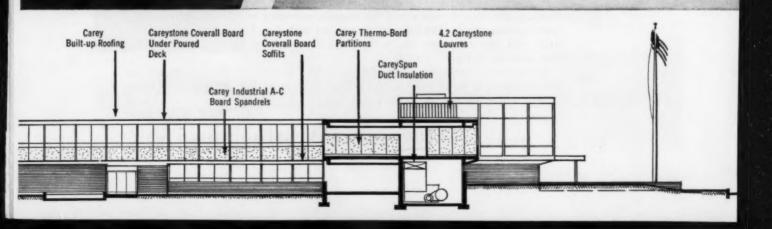
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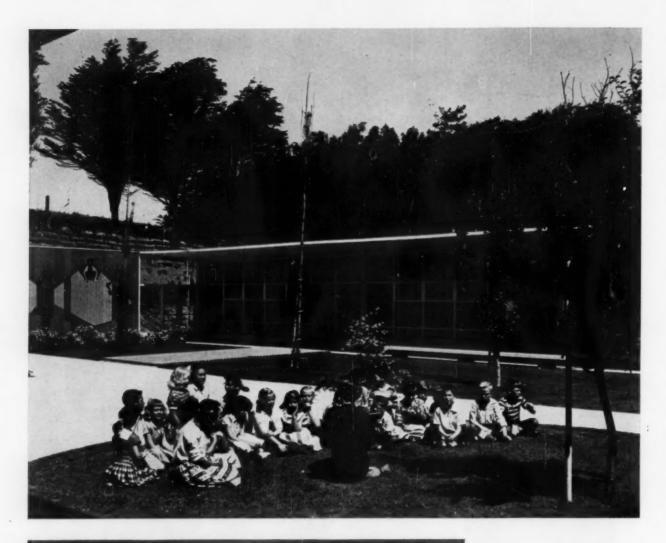
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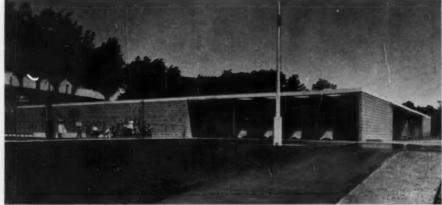
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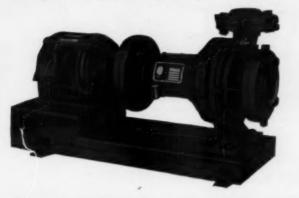


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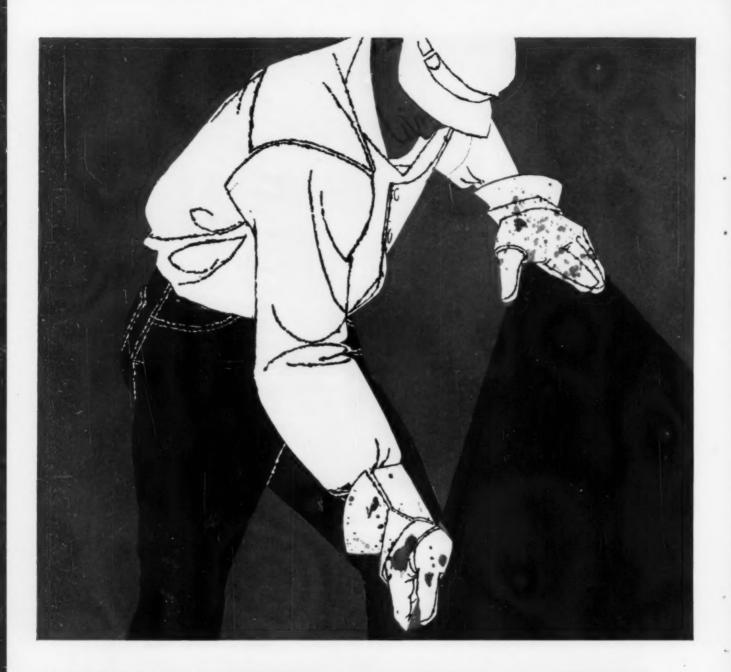
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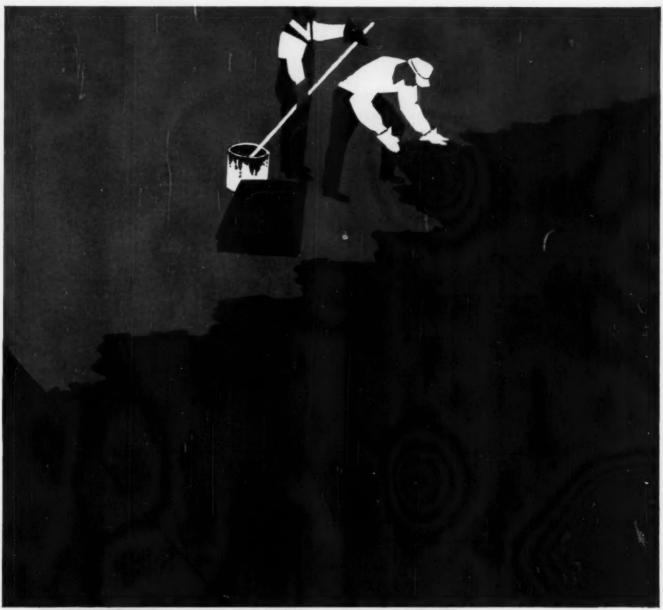
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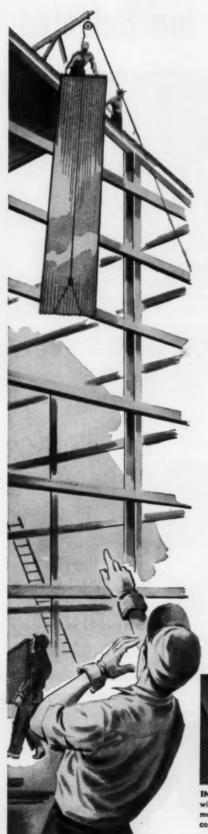
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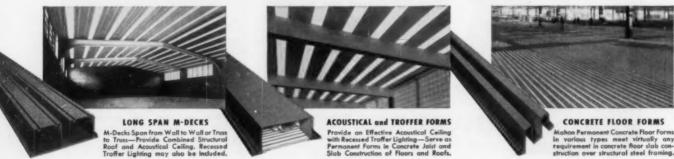
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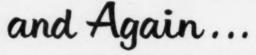
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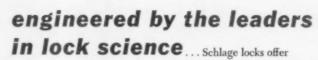
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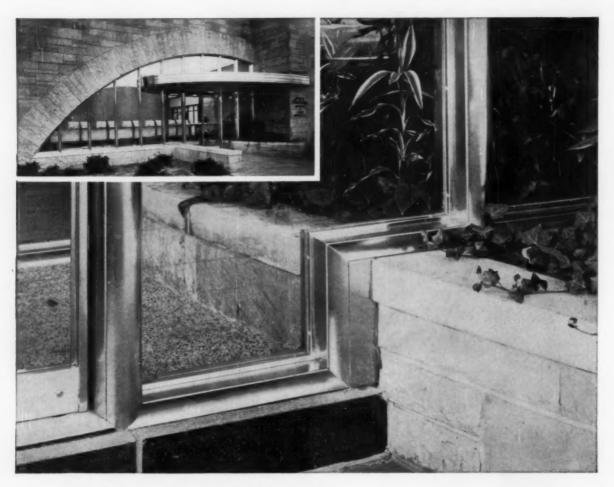


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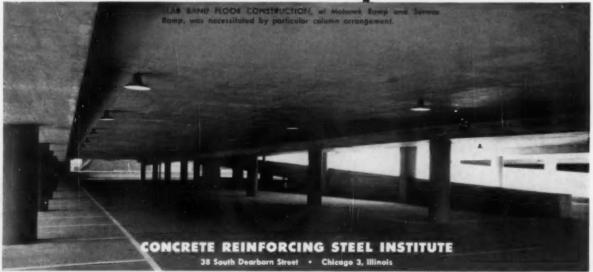
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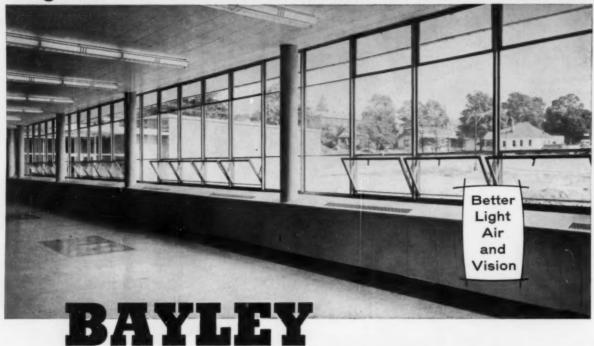
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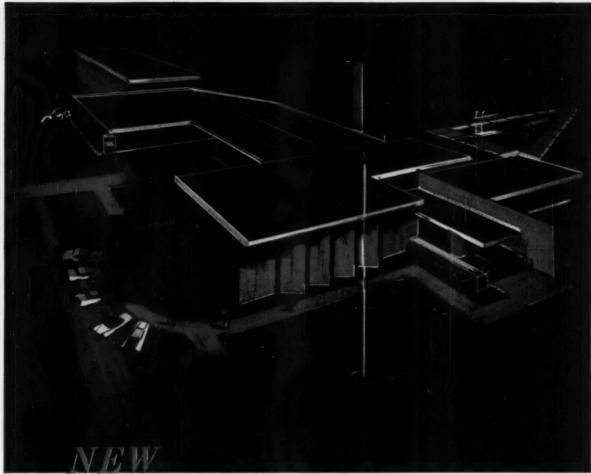
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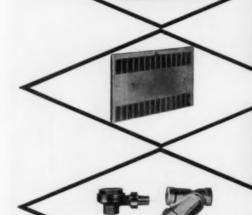
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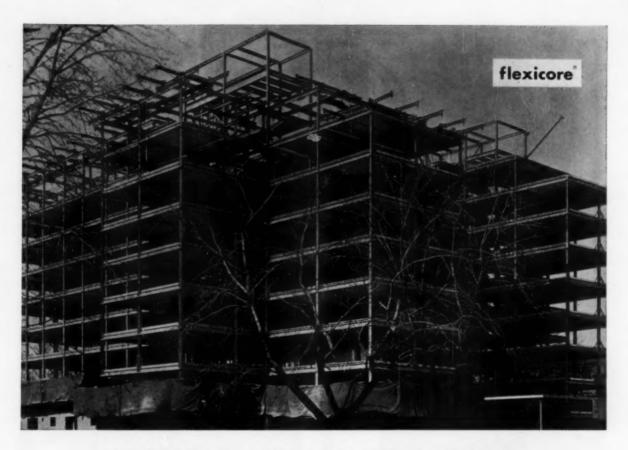
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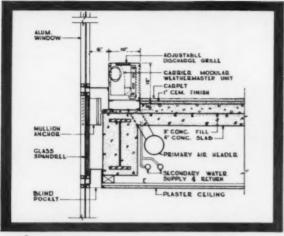
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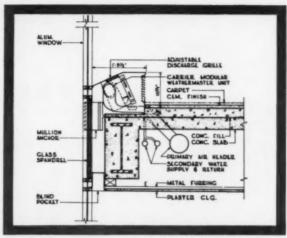
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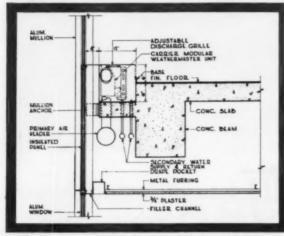
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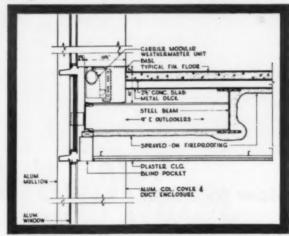




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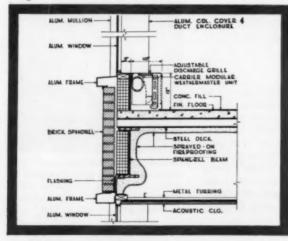
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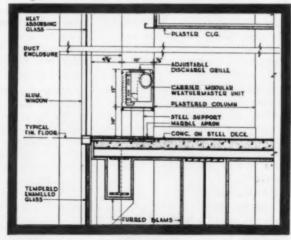




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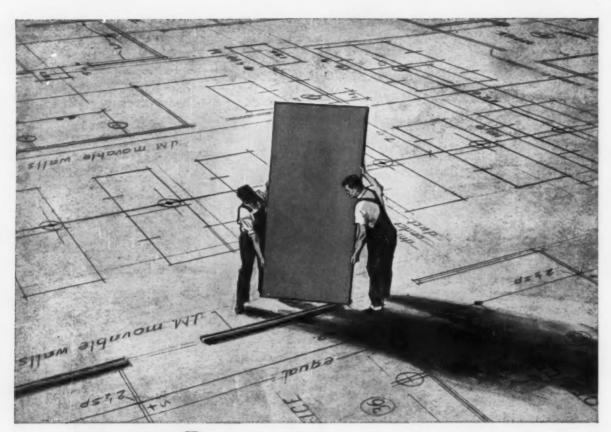




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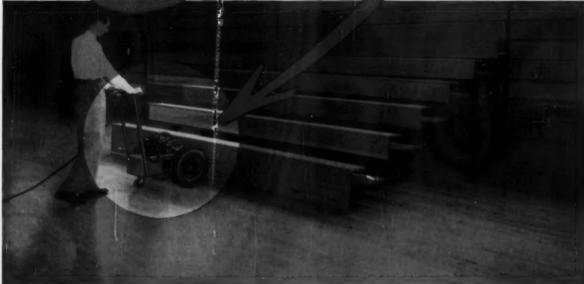
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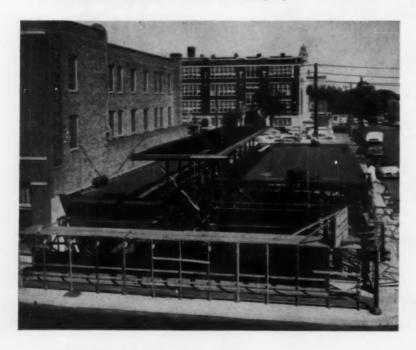
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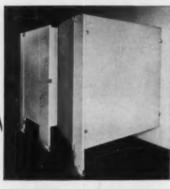




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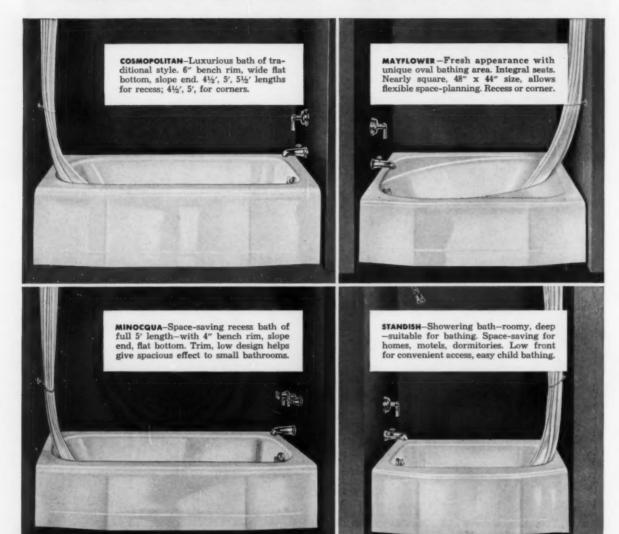
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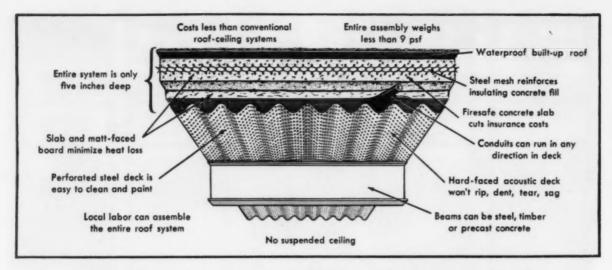
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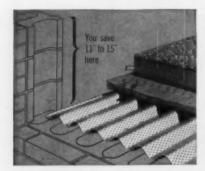
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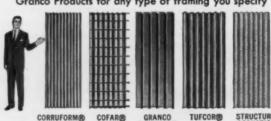
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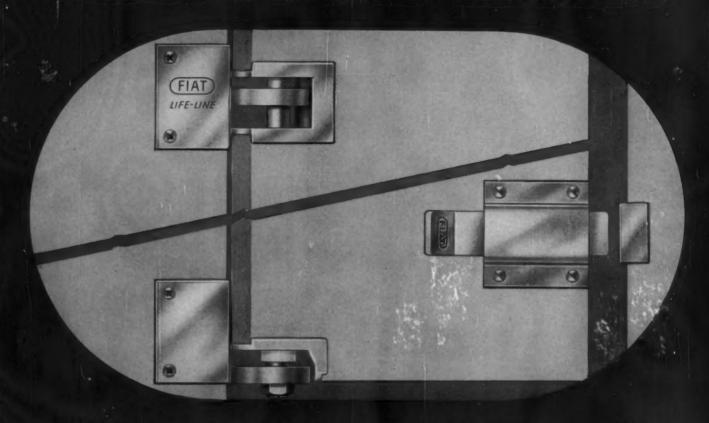
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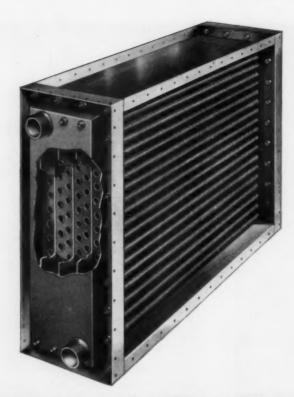
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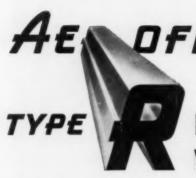
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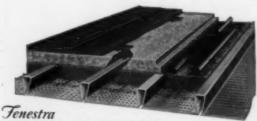
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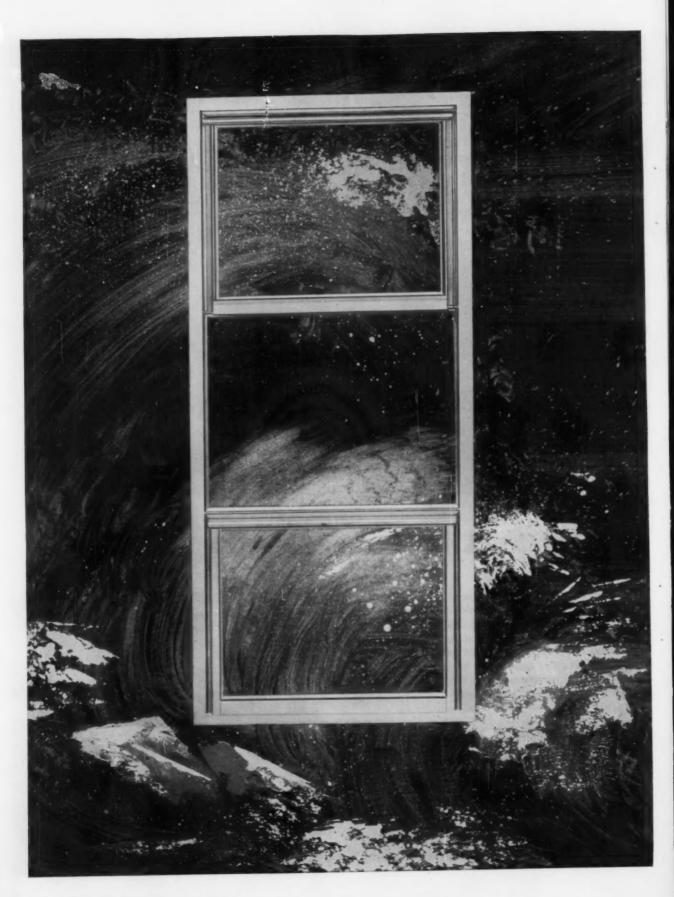


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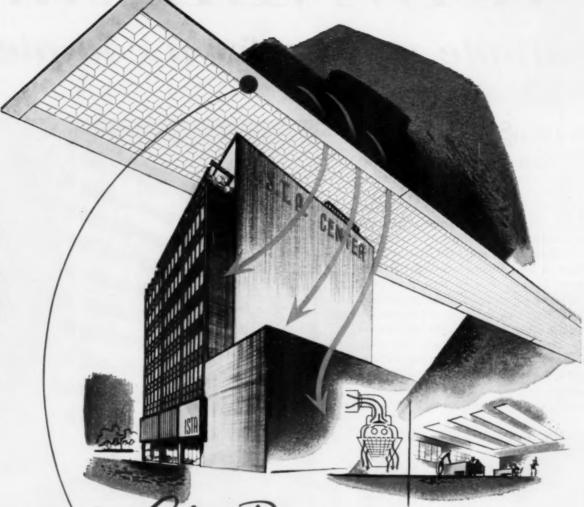


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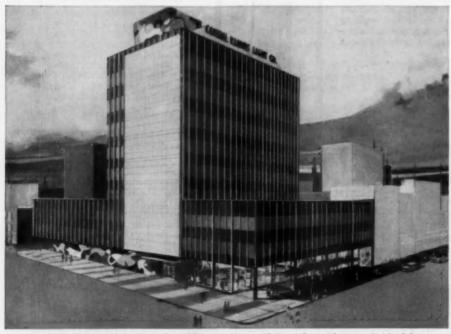


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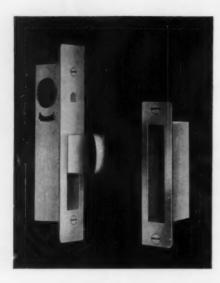


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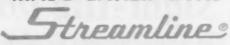
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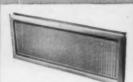
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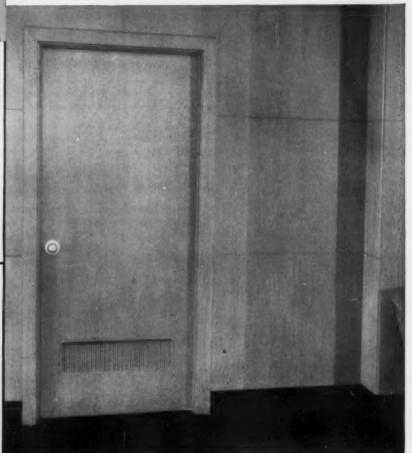
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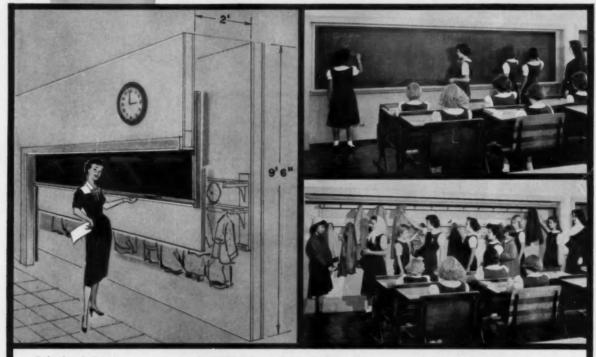
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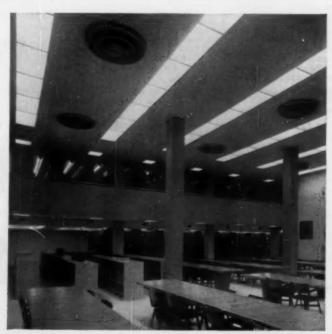




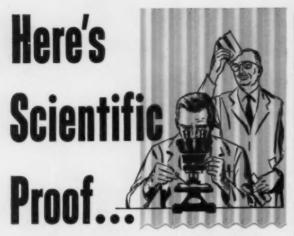
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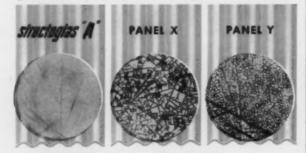


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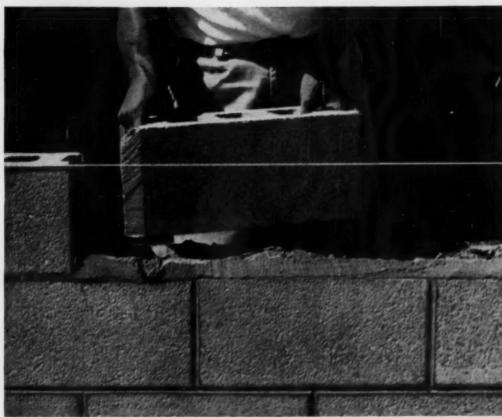
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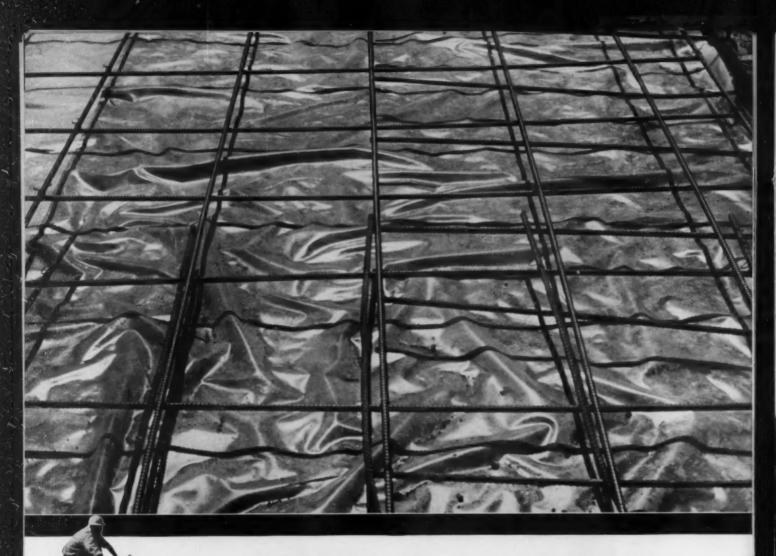


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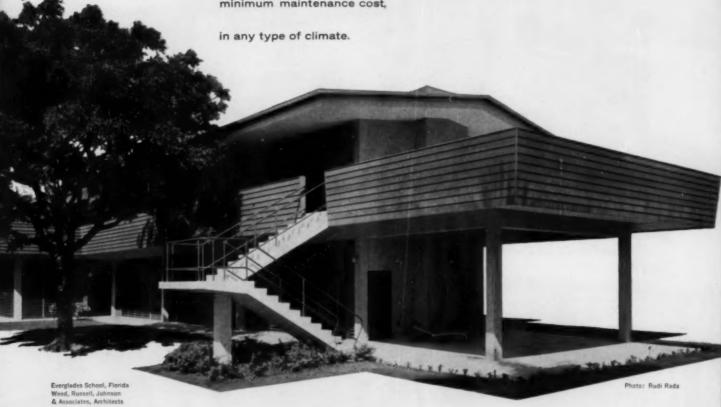
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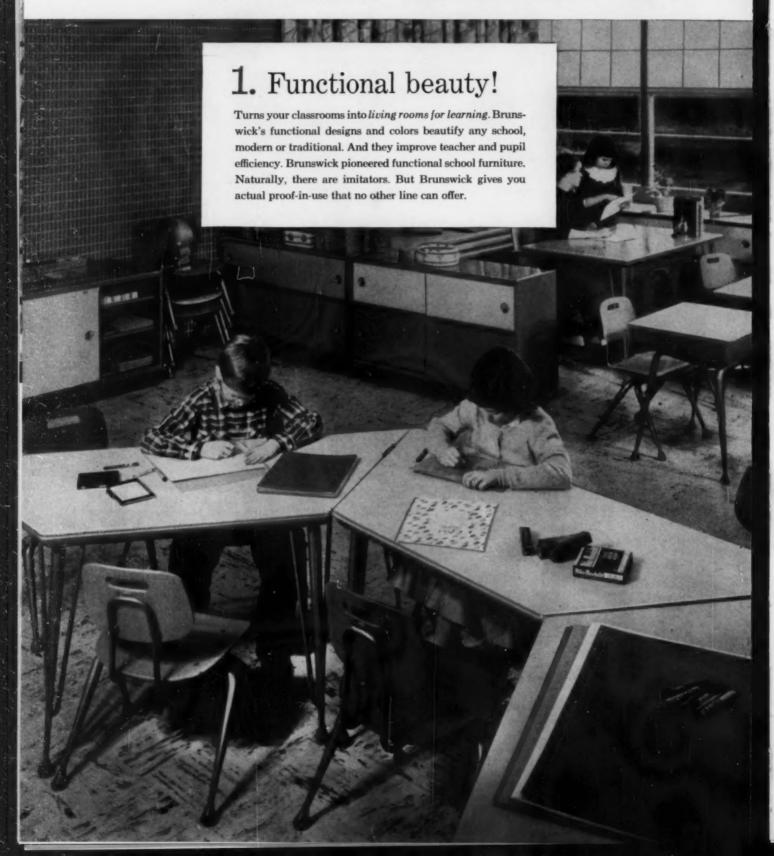
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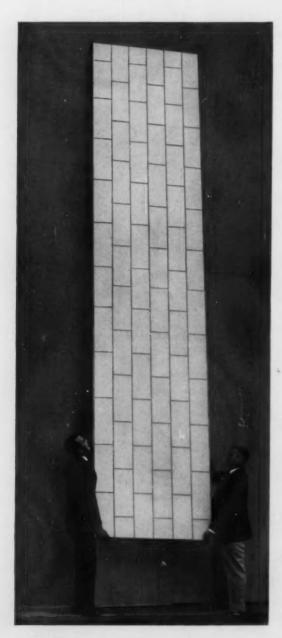
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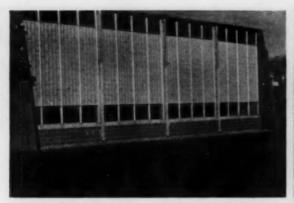
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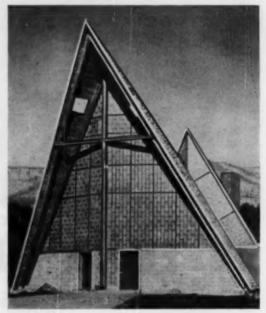
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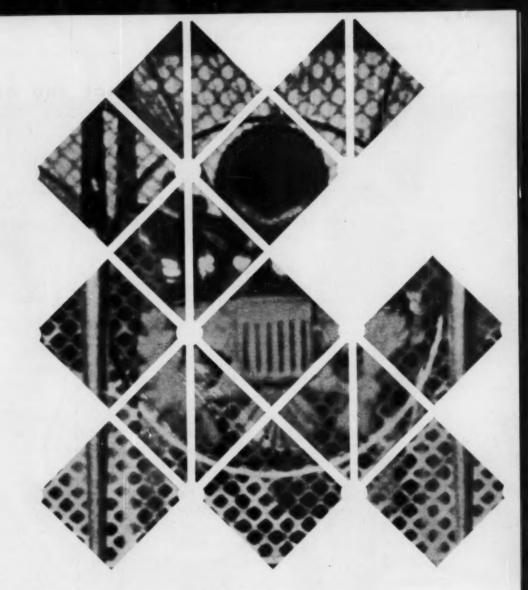
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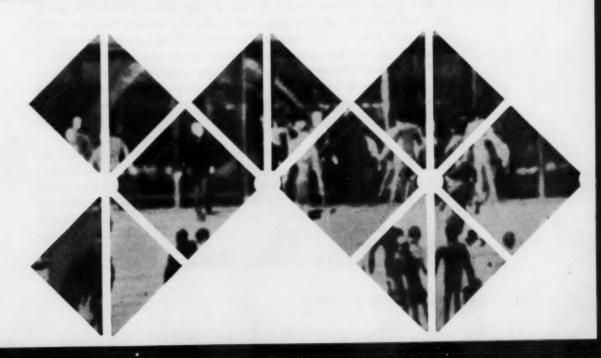
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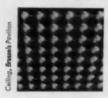
spect of such diverse people as hospital boards and housewives. Architects have responded as well as laymen; a large part of his work has come to him through referral by other architects. Stone, a native of Arkansas, has been steadfast to his image of architecture as a fine art. Architecture to him is individual creative expression, and he has resisted being catalogued as a



Ceiling, U. of Arkansas, 1948

disciple of any contemporary school. The evolution of Stone's work has been a highly interesting process. His identity was firmly established in the 1930's by such buildings as the Museum of Modern Art and the Goodyear house. Even in his earliest work, however, he was not completely satisfied with the geometric, pared-down, objective ideals of the day. To these, he added a more subjective and extended concern for buildings inside and out, in the large massing and in the small details. Texture and color tempered the bold outline. Rationalization and order were important, but space was the ultimate concern — triggered in appreciation by its visual qualities. Gradually, these qualities have been reaching maturity in his long roster of works, which will be presented subsequently.

For the past twenty years, he has been experimenting with the principle of patterned sunlight in walls and striated, filtered light in ceilings and roofs. These ex-



periments had their culmination in the New Delhi Embassy presented some three years ago. His innovation of the veiled exterior wall continues to be a salient characteristic of his work. One of Mr. Stone's greatest satisfactions is reporting a comment of Frank Lloyd Wright's that the Embassy was one of the beautiful buildings of our time.

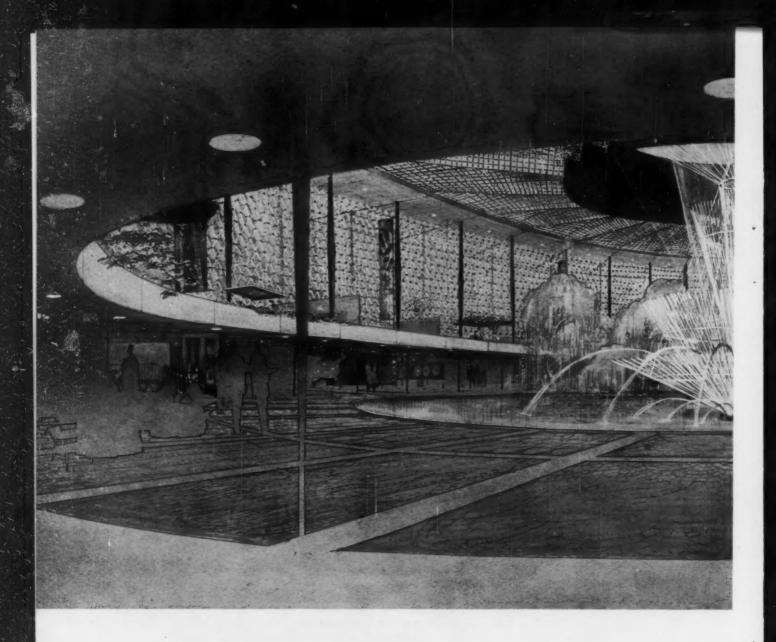
The buildings on the following pages are among his latest projects, and constitute Stone's first major publication in some time. They are varied in concept, but unified by their screened surfaces. Behind the lace of these screens is an architecture of grace and space. The exteriors have great dignity and warmth. They are formal and balanced; there is a nebulous hint of the past. Within are private sanctuaries — a world of patterned shadows and water gardens, vibrant with rich materials. Stone has been intrigued with the principle of the interior court, the cloistered garden and atrium. And his work for some years has rejected the corridor in favor of a central dramatic space. These new buildings seem to be a happy meeting ground of a number of polarities: the conservative and the experimental; the classic and the romantic; the austere and the highly decorated.

Stone's standing in the architectural profession was emphasized with the commission to design the American Pavilion for the 1958 World's Fair in Brussels (right) — the showcase for America at the first major fair since the 1930's. The Department of State asked the American Institute of Architects to select an architect for this important work. A delegated A.I.A. committee selected Stone. He has worked with Commissioner General Howard S. Cullman and his deputies in the development of this great project.



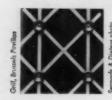
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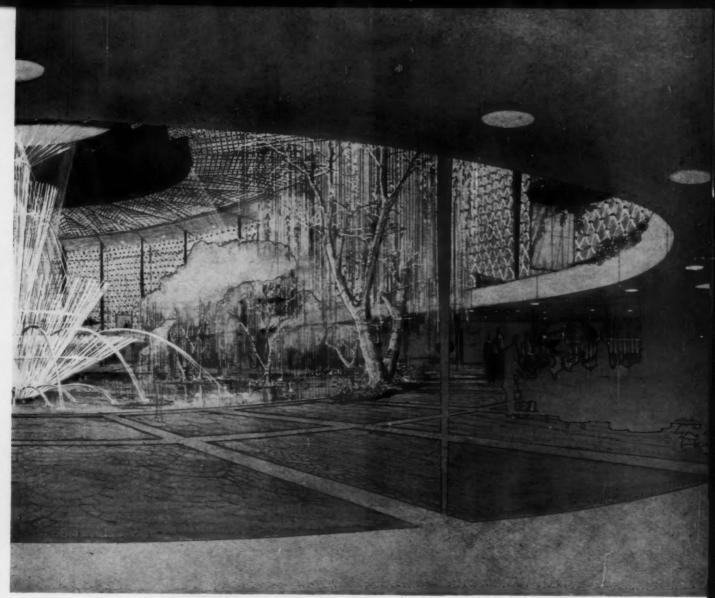


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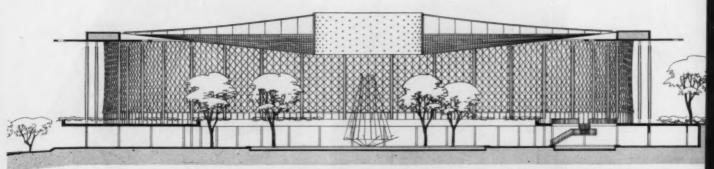
Here, an enormous free-span roof is formed in the manner of a bicycle wheel: an outer ring of concrete is connected to an inner ring of steel by cables. Translucent plastic aluminum-core panels cover all but the center. Beneath these hangs gold anodized aluminum mesh. The 340-foot exhibition area is arranged around a water garden and gigantic willows which exist on the site. The exterior is a diagonal mesh



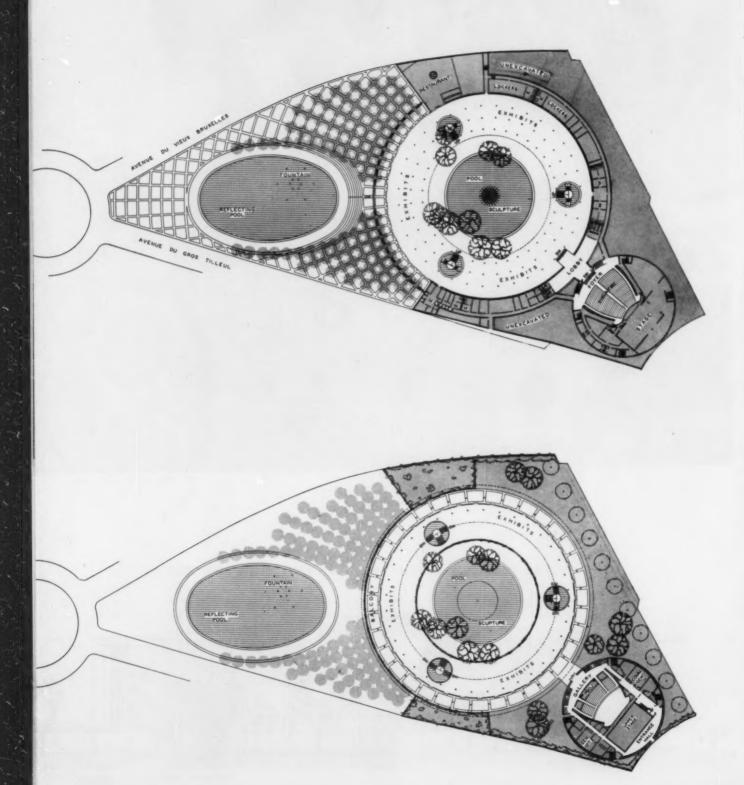
of metal bars and transparent plastic. Its antecedent is the Coliseum in Rome, roofed with ropes and canvas. The central feature of the pavilion is undecided; this interior perspective shows one suggestion, a sculpture by Richard Lippold. Also included is a theater to seat 1100, where the U. S. will present every facet of the performing arts.

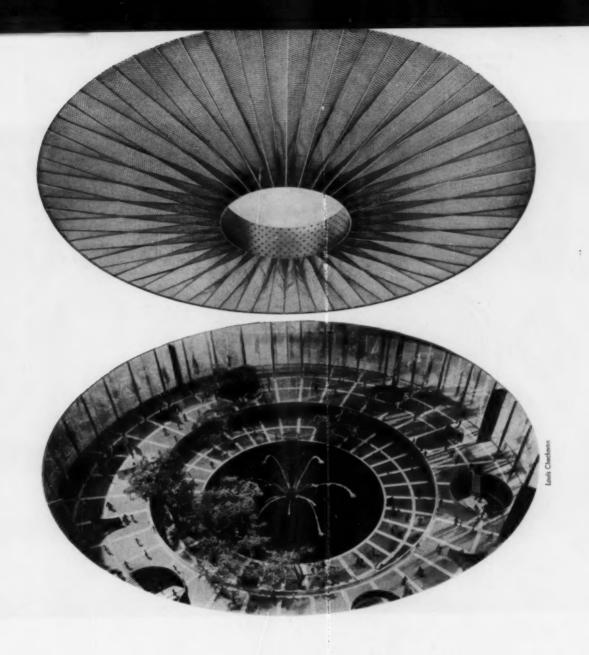


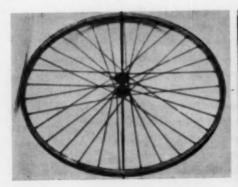
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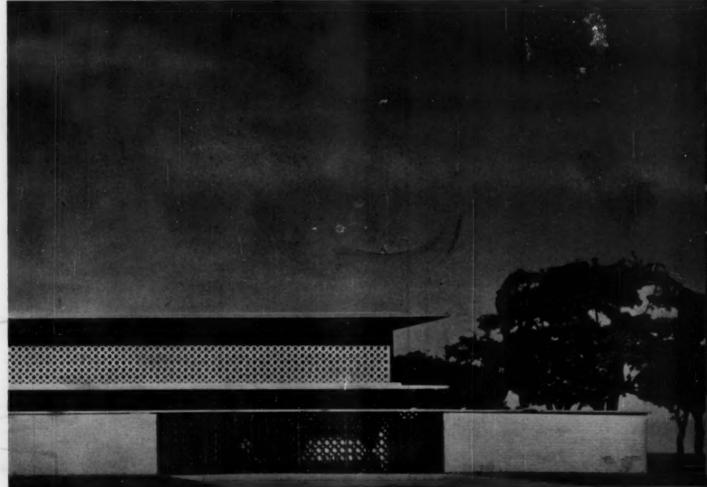


#### A RESIDENCE IN DALLAS, TEXAS

This luxurious house is conceived much in the manner of the classical houses of Pompeii, where a wall closes the house off from its surroundings. All the family life is within atrium-like rooms, with the dining room an island in a decorative pool. The entire first floor is paved in white marble. The living room is between the swimming pool and the dining area pool. Other rooms on the first floor open into clois-

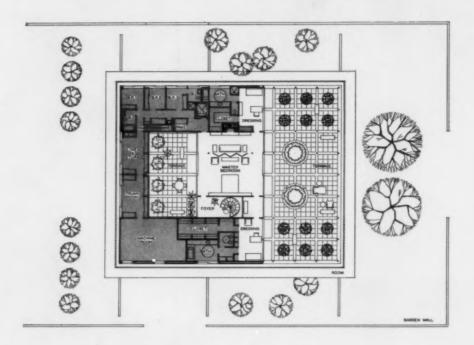


tered gardens, enhancing the atmosphere of privacy. The second floor has a large master bedroom, flanked by terrace gardens. This entire upper level is screened by a terrazzo grill for privacy and shading from the glare of the Texas sun. At the front of the house is a large, walled-in motor court; gardens continue from the terrace at the rear.





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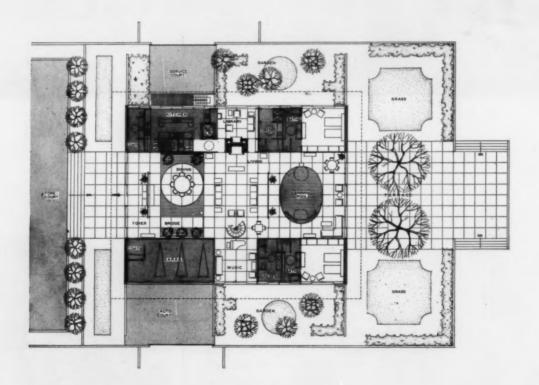
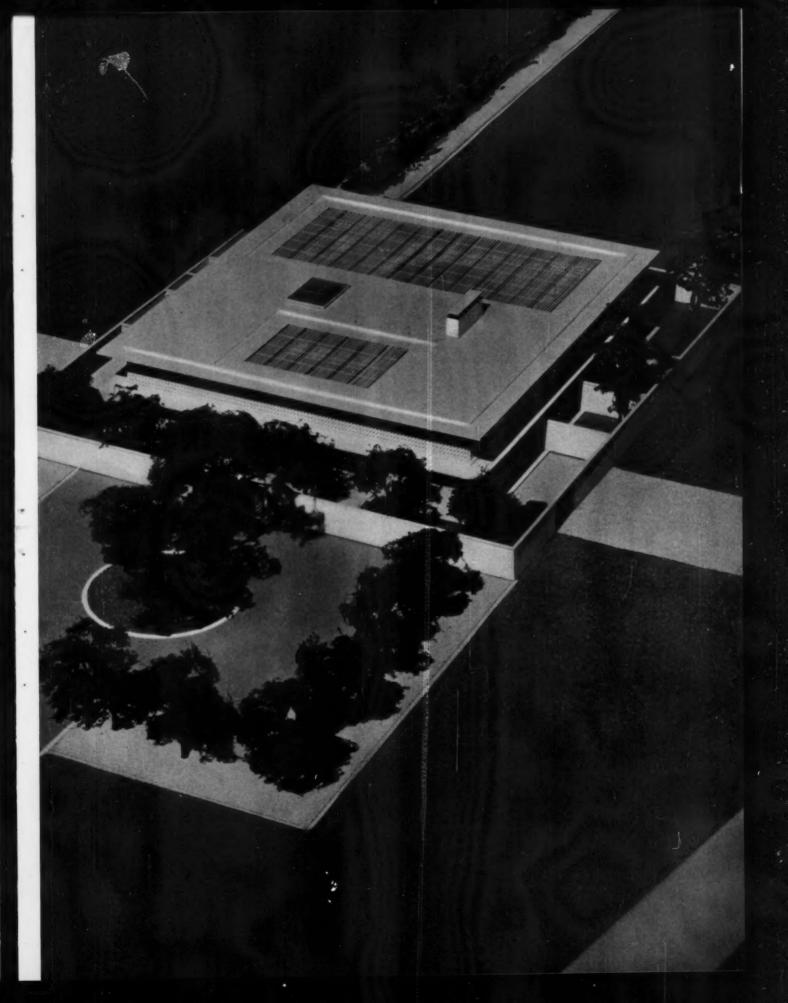
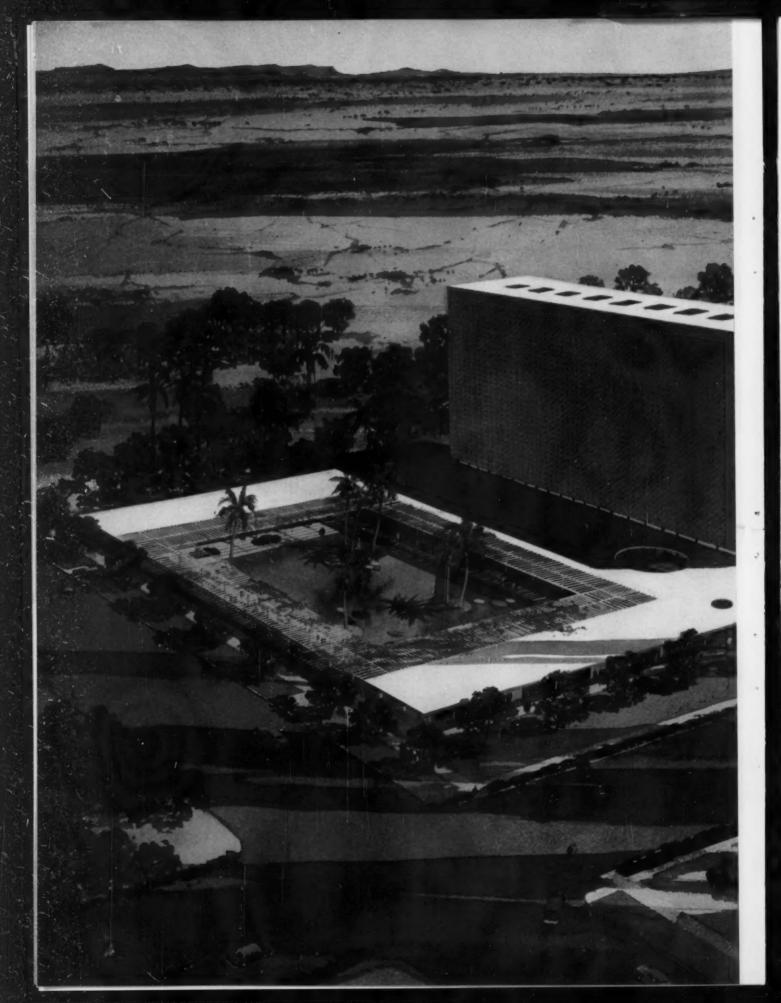
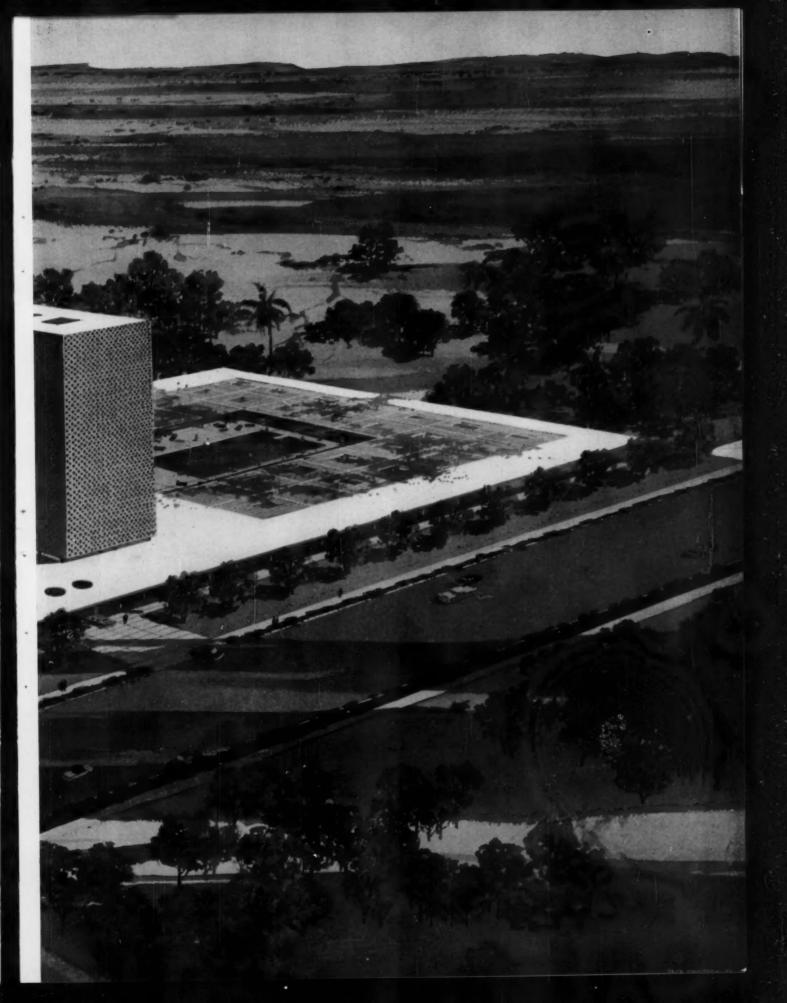
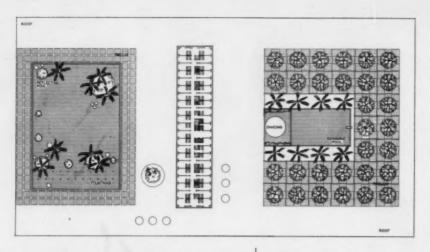


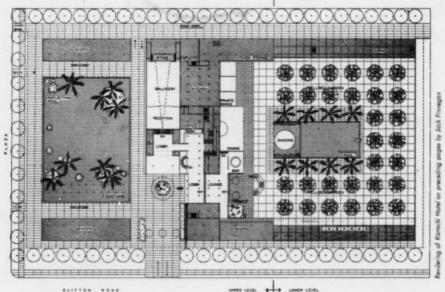
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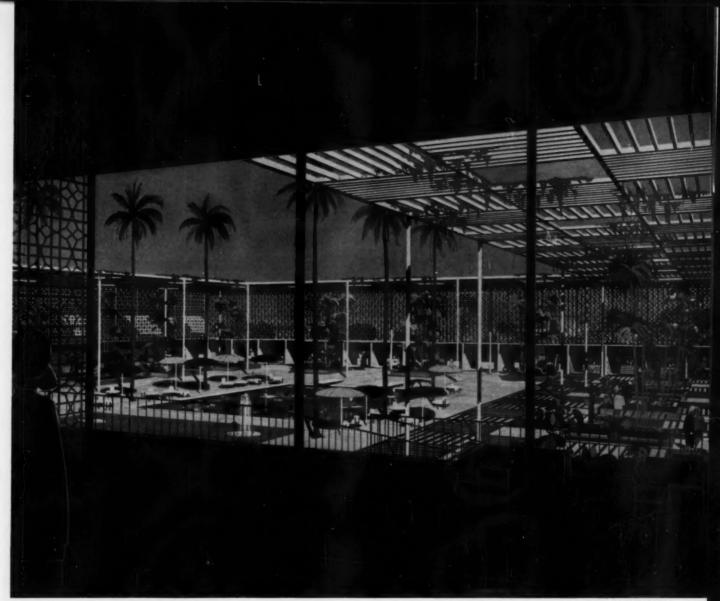
#### A HOTEL FOR KARACHI, PAKISTAN

A uniquely indigenous character has been given this building for Intercontinental Hotels, by sheathing the exterior with a Moslem-style open screen (see preceding page). Set out about three feet from the glass building wall, the screen provides shade, views, and balconies for 400 guest rooms.

The building has all the facilities of a modern, complete hotel: large lobbies,



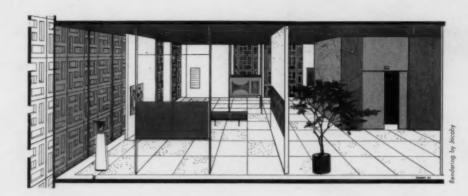
public dining rooms, cocktail lounges indoors and out, ball-rooms, reception rooms, exhibition halls, a coffee shop, swimming pool and cabañas, and a theater. A major feature of the design is a "Lath Garden" on the pool side of the hotel (right). This is a trellis extension of the lobby ceiling line out over the pool and recreation area to temper the sunlight.

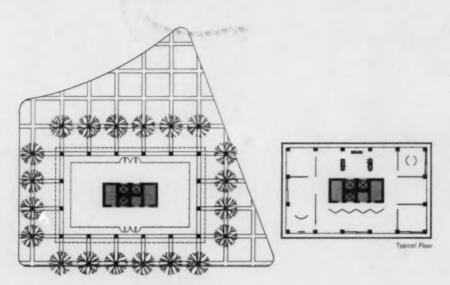


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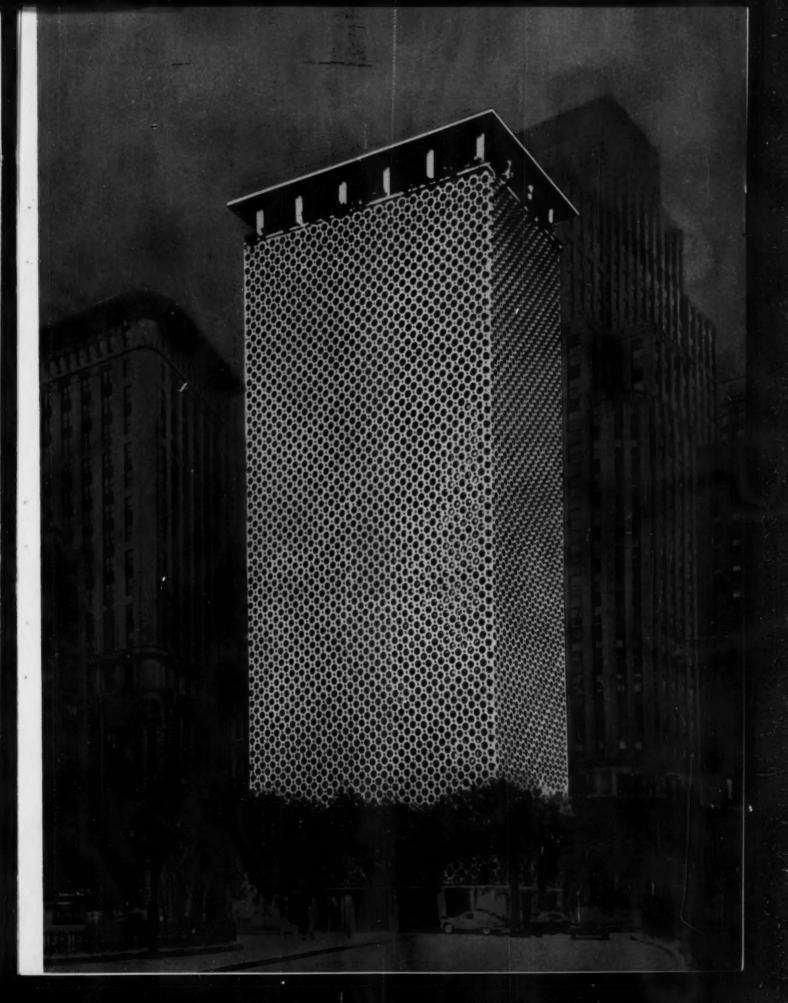


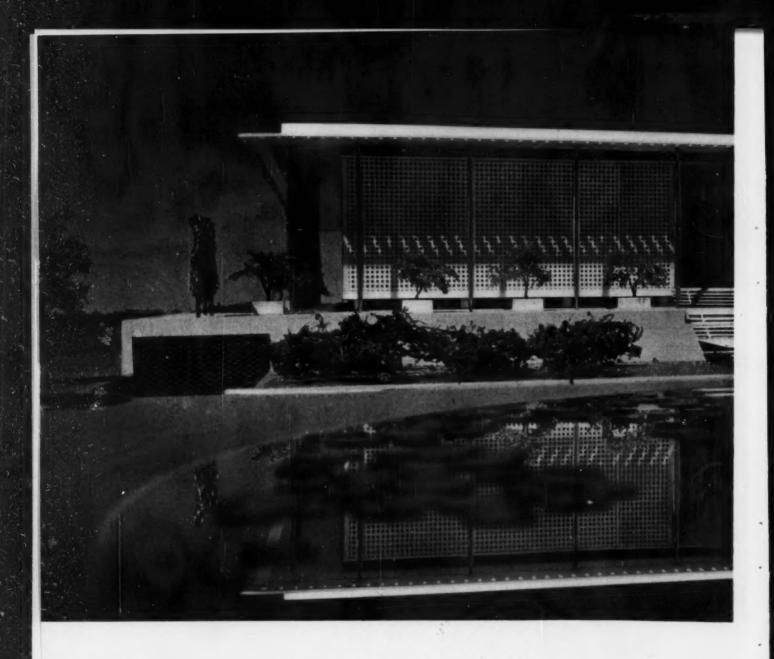
#### A PROPOSED GALLERY BUILDING FOR NEW YORK CITY

This tower-museum, encased in a perforated terrazzo screen, is planned for the exhibition of contemporary art. To allow the utmost freedom in setting up temporary exhibits, the structure is visualized as tiers of open galleries around a central mechanical core. At the top a restaurant overlooks Columbus Circle and Central Park. A paved plaza at the ground level provides an area for the exhibition of sculpture



in a landscaped background. To add to the flexibility in exhibit arrangement, the exterior walls are formed in three layers. Inside is a tier of opaque sliding screens, next a layer of sliding glass panels, then the terrazzo screen to cut direct rays of the sun from the glass. The design of the screen is tentative—two possible types are shown above and in the model at right.





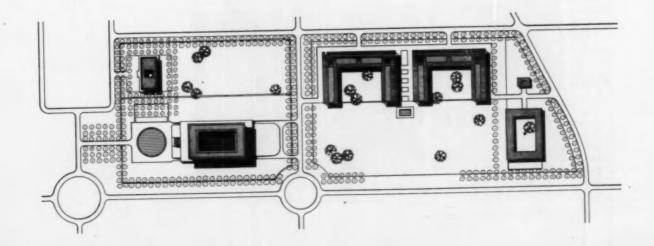
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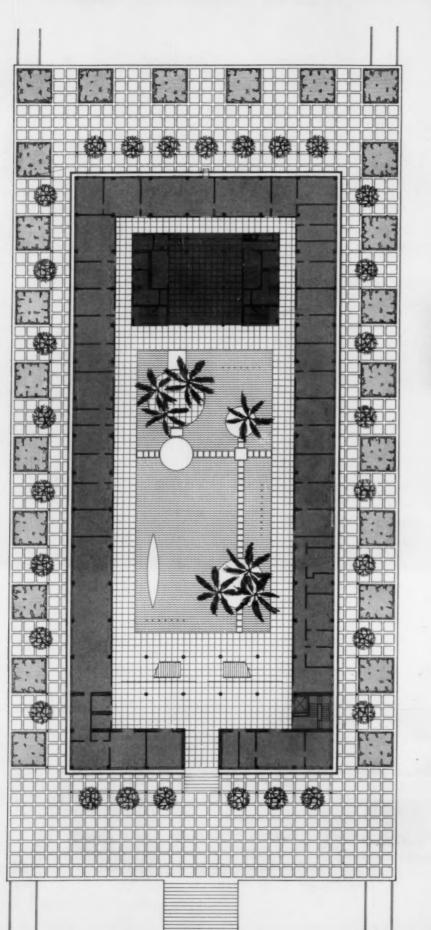
This remarkable Embassy compound succinctly fulfills its paramount design requirements - the clear expression of both friendliness and prestige, in a building appropriate to India. The final group will include a chancellery building (above and left-center in the plot plan), an ambassador's residence, apartments for the staff, and facilities for parking and repairing cars. Inspiration for the chancellery building

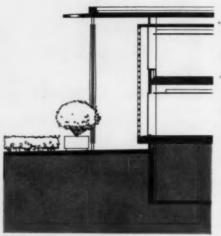


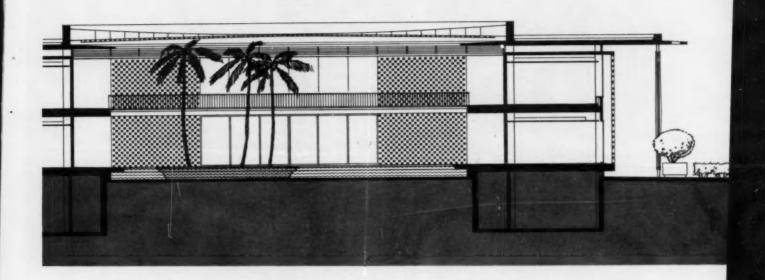
came from a study of the Taj Mahal: reflecting pools, avenues of trees, a podium as a base, delicacy and richness of texture. Offices and an auditorium are ranged around an open, interior water garden to create a feeling of coolness. The screen exterior is white and gold; the columns are covered with gold leaf. A ground floor, with garage space is in the podium.









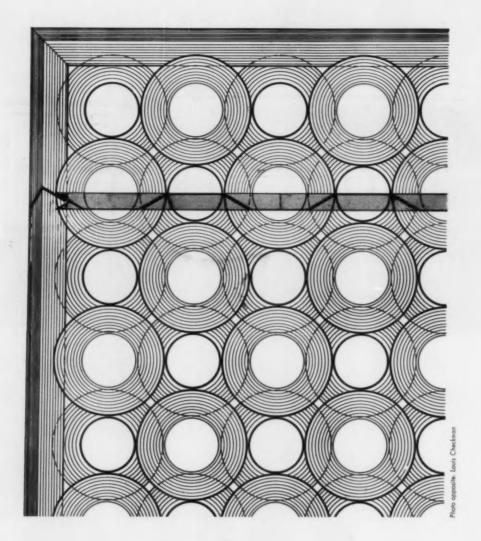


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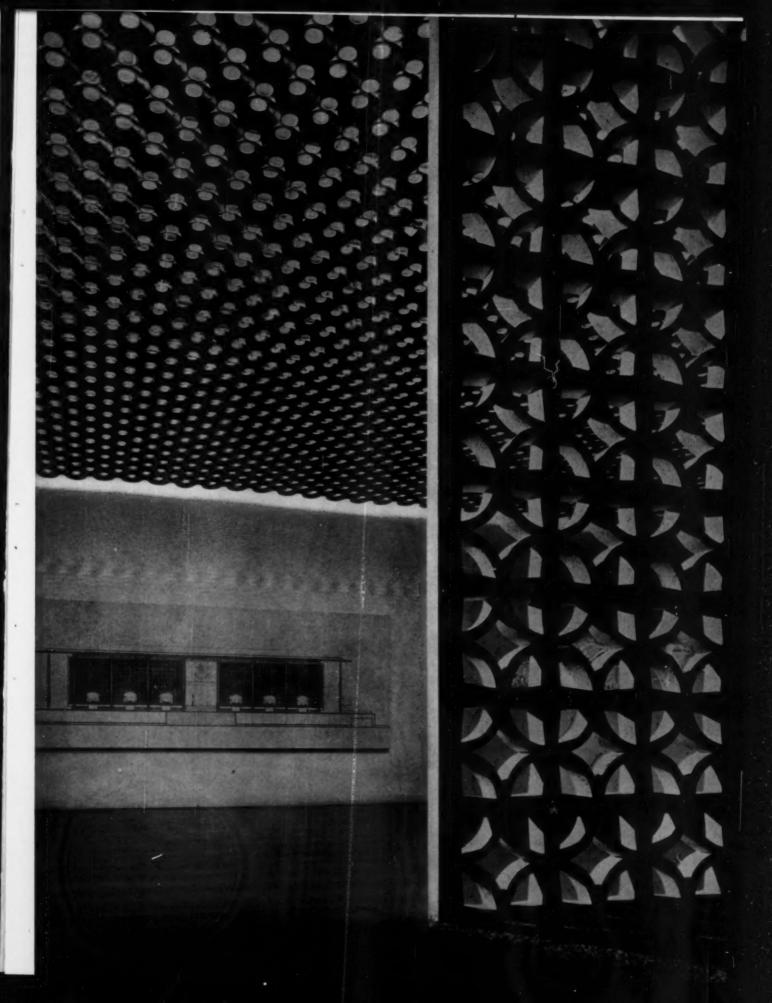
A number of devices was used to dissipate the heat in the chancellery building. An umbrella roof, separated from the actual ceilings, shields the entire structure. This is supported on the delicate colonnade. Over the water garden, with its planting and jets of water, is an arabesque mesh of aluminum to filter the sunlight. Details of this ceiling mesh are shown above and in the photograph (right) of a recent exhibit of

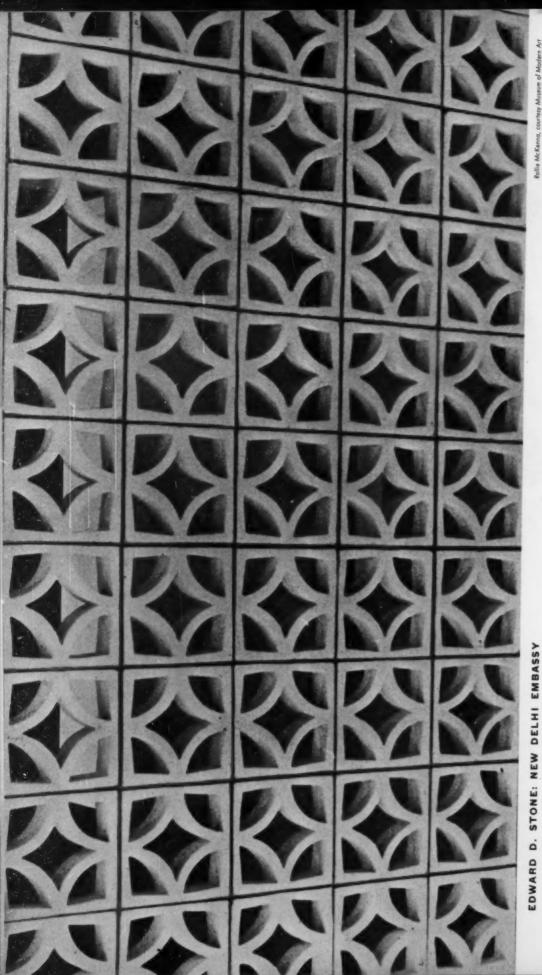
the building at the Museum of Modern Art.

The highly effective grill (right) which surrounds the building, is of pre-cast terrazzo and will be installed completely free of the windows to permit easy cleaning.

The building is air-conditioned for the six months of extreme heat, opened for cross ventilation during the temperate season.

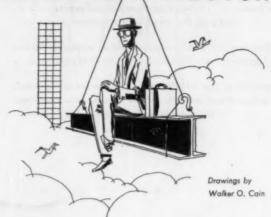






### A NEW ELOQUENCE FOR ARCHITECTURE

". . . this prime mover
— this architect-laureate of our time
— is the steel I-beam."



#### By JOSEPH HUDNUT

HISTORY HAS BEEN DEFINED as the art of remolding the past into a harmony with our desires. Because we read history, not to make us wise but to fortify our preconceptions, we ask our historians to re-appraise past events and their causal relationships in order that we may see our own opinion and passion reflected in their pages.

Historians of architecture afford no exception to this practice. In response to our own urgencies we have witnessed in the realm of architecture many re-shufflings of time, space and prejudice by those who announce themselves as historians. I am not so young that I cannot remember the vogue of Richardson Romanesque, the rehabilitation of Imperial Rome by the Pennsylvania Railroad, the return of colonial architecture to a respectable popularity. I can remember also the disgrace and sad end of all of these styles before the importunities of a race of men who had grown indifferent to all style. And each of these revolutions had its apologist and its historian.

We expect our historians not only to approve each in his turn our changing tastes but also to illumine and defend their congenial narratives — and our tastes — with philosophies of taste. We encumber them willy-nilly with the responsibility of reconciling our preferences with rational truth. To Victorian England, already persuaded of a morality in art, John Ruskin explained Gothic architecture as the architecture of virtuous men. To a more sophisticated — and presumably less virtuous — audience Geoffrey Scott defined Renaissance architecture as an art of superior sensibilities. And to the democratic passion of the American Revolution Thomas Jefferson unblushingly presented the Roman Revival as the architecture of popular sovereignty.

We should not think it strange then if our present historians, finding themselves at home in a bright and delightfully revolving machine, should describe the stream of past architectures as a stately procession towards that ideal of perfect mechanization which, we are told, possesses the mind of our day or should season their admiration for the architecture of a mechanized world with a philosophy of mechanized form.

"Throughout history," writes a popular historian, "the appearances of buildings and their styles have been determined by the practical techniques of construction - that is to say, by the materials available and the tools with which materials were worked. Greek architecture, for example, was elementary in form because the Greek builder knew only the lintel and the column upon which the lintel rested. Roman architecture was grandiose because the Roman engineer had developed the grandiose resources of concrete vaulting. Gothic architecture, ethereal and daring, rose, as inevitably as the night follows the day, from the pointed arch and the flying buttress." And the author, although careful to assure his readers that beauty in buildings is not wholly a consequence of structural efficiencies aesthetic experiences, taste and fashion being also elements of beauty - nevertheless leaves them with the impression that aesthetic sensation. taste and fashion are after all redundancies: pleasing appliqués which do not modify essentially the character of architectures. The column, the vault and the flying buttresses are thus made the prime movers in the evolution of architectural species and the fundamental sources of expression throughout the ages. And in our time this prime mover this architect-laureate of our time - is the steel I-beam.

What is needed, it seems to me, is another history. We should ask our historians to examine more curiously this concept which, ever since Choicy wrote his *L'Art de Batir*, has haunted their minds: this concept of structure as secret architect of temple, thermae, cathedral and skyscraper. Their minds quickened by the perils which now confront architecture they might then re-invigorate our art with a newer and less devastating doctrine.

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I shall offer such a history — not my own but one which is in need of a novel pronouncement. It shall be brief and it shall occupy only one paragraph.

The Greeks, who lived in the sunlight, celebrated in their temples the quietude and sweetness of the natural world in which their religion was born. To that end they employed in their temples only the simplest of structural forms: the rectangular lintel and its supporting column. The Romans, to whom power was a virtue and magnificence a delight, achieved power and magnificence in their buildings by the use of the great concrete vaults invented for that purpose. The peoples of the Middle Ages, having built a spiritual universe around their life on earth, had need of a symbol, ethereal and soaring, and for that purpose developed the pointed arch and the flying buttress. In no one of these instances was the idea to be expressed inherent in the structural device through which it was made explicit and visible. In no instance did the idea derive its origin from such a device. In no instance was the eloquence of the architecture a consequence of a perfection in technological resources.

This precedence of idea over technique is most clearly illustrated in the history of the Gothic cathedrals. No one, of course, will deny that the precision and elegance of Gothic vaulting witnesses a builder's delight in his craft and it would be strange indeed if that delight had not been shared by those who employed him; and I think it probable that the intellectual control which is evident in Gothic plan and structure — the fusion of so many diverse energies into an organic pattern afforded to the medieval mind satisfactions not less trenchant than those which they afford the receptive mind of our day. Nevertheless these satisfactions could not have been conceived as the central intention of Gothic architecture. Clearly they are parallel or contributary enjoyments and are by no means essential to the idea and feeling of the cathedral. Idea and feeling had their genesis, not in the experiments of engineers,

but in the meditations of the cloister. The influence that dissolved in light the dark vaults of the Romanesque abbeys was the monastic vision of the Celestial City. The history of the cathedral is the history of a progressive translation of that vision into glass and stone.

No one, happily, told the Gothic architect that he must imprison the Celestial City within the reasonable laws of masonry construction. To raise the Romanesque vaults into the sky, to give resiliency and grace to the supporting arcades, and to surround the sanctuary with vista and light the architect contrived a nice order and balance of pointed forms. These transfigured the Romanesque pattern without, at first, any violence to the traditions of masonry; but that rationalism sufficed for only a moment. Order and balance had to give way almost immediately before the urgencies of the spiritual idea. Already in the choir of Saint-Denis, the birthplace of Gothic architecture, the pointed ribs are designed, not with reference to the true nature of stone, but actually in defiance of that nature: the stones, inflexible and crystalline, bend and become fluid, the inert masses are changed into lines of action and energy, and it is as line and action that they embrace the Celestial City.

From that time forth the architect of the cathedral progressively ignores the lithic basis of his pattern. He diminishes the weight of his arcades, attenuates as he lengthens the shafts which support his vaults, ever more fragile, and around the perimeter of his building march the rhythms, ever more ethereal, of that most questionable of engineering expedients, the flying buttress. Neither the architect's experience nor his common sense, neither his science nor the intuitions of his practical mind, prevail against the imperatives of the Christian aspiration; his vaults must be ever higher, their supports more slender, until all lithic character and lithic energy are erased. There remains only a linear frame. Light, pouring in splendor from all sides, obliterates even that frame. We stand no longer in a building of stone. The arch is no longer present, being represented





by a line; the pressures of the vaults and buttresses are abstractions and must be known, if at all, by analysis. Nor will the spirit of the cathedral rest until the unsubstantial fabric has been drawn out to a still greater tenuity; until piers and arches, traceries and the ribs of vaults, reach the point of collapse; until, at Beauvais, they do collapse.

I do not pretend that there is in our day a passion so deep and pervasive as thus to direct and illume the art of architecture. I am of course illustrating a principle. Expression in architecture springs from idea and feeling. Structural expedients come into being as the means by which idea and feelings attain a visual language. And to these premises we may now add an inescapable deduction: structural virtuosity and structural candour are secondary virtues in architecture.

I must admit that such a judgment is subjective in nature; but I shall maintain that it is not less subjective than the theory of those who discover in the column, the vault and the I-beam the source of meanings in architecture. These are indeed objects set solidly in space but that which they signify must be constructed of materials less frangible. I do not find it fantastic to believe that the significances of buildings precede a material realization.

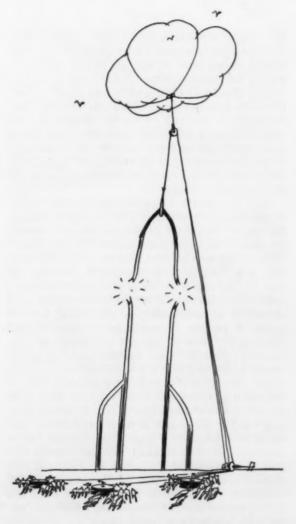
I think that all mechanical ingenuities are (like paintings and poems) the children of popular desire and contrivance. The first printing press, for example, was not invented by Gutenberg but by the hunger of a people for the hidden truths of the Scriptures. The first airplane was lifted from the sands of Kitty Hawk, not by Orville and Wilbur Wright, but by a nation's longing to command the thoroughfares of the sky. And those who think that the force which condemned Edison to his life-time of labor and experiment was his need for money and fame little know the ways in which a nation's will can possess, torture and exalt the noblest of her sons.

Scholars have spent no end of research to discover

the inventor of the skyscraper without perceiving that the skyscraper was created by a people's need for an avenue of expression. It was not merely because we wanted to escape the crabbed streets of Chicago that we evolved this most typical of all modern building types; it was also because we wanted to exhibit in visible form the confidence and pride of our new republic. We had need of a symbol. The skyscrapers which at the turn of the century rose suddenly from the soil of our great cities, like sunflowers at the advent of Spring, were driven upward not by the dull science of engineers but by a romantic necessity.

It is true that this necessity became confused in the neighborhood of Wall Street with a necessity, scarcely less urgent, for splinters of Paris and Rome - a necessity that led to some scenic excesses. We may assume, remembering these excesses, that the romantic impulse may make itself felt in skyscrapers in more than one way. The life that is the theme of architecture is not a specially selected phase of life but the whole of it, mean or exalted, ugly or beautiful; and a skyscraper, however prosaic in purpose, is nevertheless an object through which many kinds of thoughts and imaginings may function. No doubt these thoughts and feelings are sometimes less profound in a skyscraper than are those which, quite apart from its architecture, must inform a cathedral; nevertheless they may exist and make themselves felt. And whatever may be said of "slavish imitation" in the skyscrapers of lower Manhattan - and surely they belong to a page of architectural history somewhat less than sublime - the fact remains that they were charged with meanings by those who built them. Meanings, at any rate, for those for whom they were built. The Woolworth Building, when I first saw it, was peopled not with brokers and commission men but with promises and enchantments. I knew that it was an advertisement - like the newest skyscrapers on Park Avenue — but it was not chained to the ground by a theory of constructivism; and beneath its quaint

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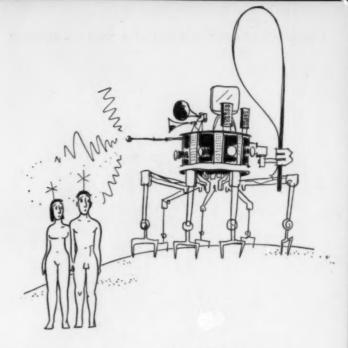
medievalism the Woolworth Building satisfied for the moment my need for that reassurance for which height had suddenly become a national symbol.

The command over our imaginations which height had assumed is eloquently expressed in a passage written by Louis Sullivan and separated by less than a paragraph from his famous pleas for logical analysis in the design of skyscrapers:

"... We must now heed the imperative voice of emotion. It demands of us: What is the chief characteristic of the tall office building: And we answer at once: it is lofty. This loftiness is to the artist-nature its thrilling aspect. It is the very organtone of its appeal. It must in turn be the dominant chord in expression. The skyscraper must be tall, every inch of it. It must be every inch a proud and soaring thing. . . ."

The true excitant of the imagination then was not the steel structure and the necessity of confessing its presence but the loftiness: the loftiness which to the artist-nature was the thrilling aspect of the skyscraper, the organ-tone of its appeal. The architect puts aside his theory and turns to the messages of his heart, finding a source of expression not in that which he has been taught but in that which he has felt. He turns from understood relations, accessible to the intelligence, to those relations which are accessible only to the imagination. It was at that moment that the skyscraper ceased to be a work of engineering and became a work of architecture.

I am sure that Louis Sullivan did not in his glowing paragraph conceive height, an objective characteristic of the skyscraper, as a subjective characteristic. Height was the thrilling aspect of the skyscraper because he had discovered in it a force and power, a glory and pride; and that force and power, that glory and pride, were essences drawn from the civilization that lay around it. This proud and soaring thing was a similitude of this land.



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A collaboration of head and heart is a distinctive characteristic of the art of Louis Sullivan and, in my opinion, a distinctive characteristic of American culture. We are travestied by those naked buildings which proclaim a grim realism in the land they pretend to represent. Are they not, after all, an importation? They represent, not America, but America as seen from across the sea. Louis Sullivan was less hesitant to show ourselves as we are.

I have heard it said — and with a solemnity of speech that might have become the Pythia above the afflatus of Delphi — that we are living in a mechanized world. Mechanization has taken command. Overwhelmed by our inventions we have become conditioned here in America to life in a precise and ever-moving machine. Our ambition is to enrich the world with machines ever more efficient. Mechanization therefore will inevitably take command of our architecture.

We ought to reject such appraisement with a greater warmth of resentment. If we have accepted with gratitude the gifts of the machine we did so in order to use these in the making of a better way of life — not for ourselves merely but for the world — and that which we gave the world was well worth having. Our engines are in truth the implements of an impulse which lies deep in the culture of this land. In spite of their intimacy to our daily lives our machines remain surface aspects of life which have never impaired the idealism which they overlie. We should not be ashamed of that idealism — not even in our architecture.

It is not the function of art to set forth the material circumstances of a civilization. The ways in which buildings are adapted to new uses and to new techniques are of course of the greatest practical importance but they have little to do with the substance of architecture. To be factual and logical is to be as superficial in architecture as it is in life. The arts have only one important function: to define and make eloquent the experiences of the heart. Except as a means to that end ingenuity and

contrivance are no concern of the arts. The art of poetry is not exalted by the invention of new words - no, not even by the invention of the typewriter. The art of painting gains no new dignity from new colors spread upon the palette of the painter - no, nor by the substitution of the palette-knife for the brush. These are new media, useful to widen the range of techniques, but they have in themselves no new meanings. Nor is the art of music made more magical in the intricacies of the Philharmonic than in the slender orchestra of Mozart; and Beethoven, after all the thunder of his nine symphonies, wrote his most sublime music for a quartet of strings. The notion that the arts progress with the evolution of techniques is the most dangerous fallacy in the architectural thought of our day. How could the arts progress when at all times they are voicing, not event and circumstance, but the experiences of man's inward life, unchanged over a thousand centuries?

The art in architecture consists, as it does in all avenues of expression, of ideas and imaginings — and in that indefinable quality which Freud calls the *feeling-tones* of ideas and imaginings. The art in architecture is poetry, a poetry that functions, not in words, but in constructed fabrics. Such a fabric becomes architecture when it is filled with a poetic content.

Our architecture, like our poetry, is strangely silent with respect to the most salient characteristics of American culture. Among these — if I may pretend to such knowledge — is our faith in a philosophy that sanctions freedom and personality, enterprise and tolerance. We should not, I think, bewail the fact that we pay for these with some surface vulgarities. We have also a religion of love, not superficial but active, which ought to compensate us for a spirituality somewhat less fervent than that which raised the great cathedrals; and there is also, even in small towns and villages, a desire to be hospitable to ideas, to seek beauty, and through idea and beauty to give our daily lives dignity and purpose. These are transcendent qualities which will sur-



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vive the corrosions of the great wars and the unwanted responsibilities which these wars have placed upon us. Surely they will some day find their way into our architecture. It would not surprise me to learn that steel construction was invented for that purpose.

One thing is certain: we shall not build these qualities into our buildings by the exercise of that outmoded instrument, the intelligence. Heaven forbid that I should ask architects to be unintelligent; and yet I shall venture to remind them that there is a frontier in their practice where the intelligence becomes an impertinence. If we start — and of course we must — from rational, or at least practical, premises it must be with the object of arriving at some unsophisticated conclusions. The time comes in the development of every work of art when we must be less concerned with what we know and more concerned with what we have felt. At that point we must be less solicitous of our technologies, less conscious of them. Surely we are now sufficiently practiced in steel construction to use it intuitively, to accept automatically its authority in that kingdom where it is rightfully sovereign and, having acknowledged that sovereignty, let us be free to command steel to our poetic purpose. I do not mean that we should be merely free to give aesthetic trimmings to works of engineering. I mean that we should be free to give structural shapes our own direction and disposition: to emphasize or suppress them, to aggravate or attenuate them, to veil or distort them, and, wherever that is necessary to our purpose, deny their existence.

I know quite well that the noblest qualities of American culture cannot be exhibited in a skyscraper—perhaps not in any building. I have talked about skyscrapers because they seem to me to have sprung uniquely from American thought and feeling and because that was what Louis Sullivan thought about them. Sullivan found in skyscrapers a quality of aspiration, of a rising out of the dull business of getting and spending, and that aspiration he thought—in the teeth of

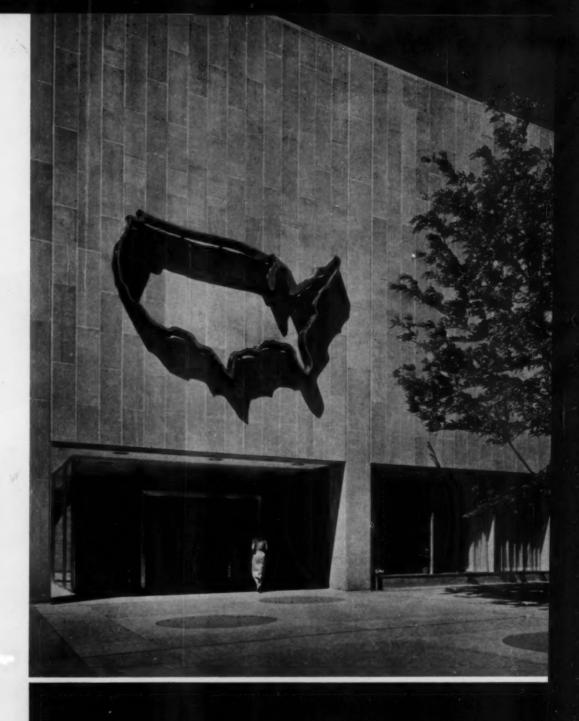
all philosophers of the time — was an American quality. I am not so confident of skyscrapers and yet I agree that there is in them a quality not unworthy of celebration in architecture.

There is also in skyscrapers a romance of a different kind: I mean that visual romance with which they endow our cities. I seldom approach one of our cities from the air without feeling a delight in the upward surge of the tall buildings at its center. These create a new kind of beauty. LeCorbusier has shown us how these brambles at the hearts of cities might submit to the control of an artist and by so doing attain a new grandeur, speaking to us less of a competitive rage and more of that just proportion and peace which is the less published trait of our national spirit. In the beautiful Ville Radieuse the skyscrapers consent to live together and to be citizens. They consent to a harmony of proportion and to a consistency of technique; to a majestic rhythm of silhouette; to a poetic artifice; and they consent to live in a garden.

Was the splendor and beauty of LeCorbusier's design created by steel? Did this assurance of faith in man's dignity and worthiness arise from the inward sources of the I-beam? Of course not. Nor did this great romanticist arrive at his design in deference to some abstract theory of design — not even in deference to his own theory.

But we must not expect Utopias; and it may well be doubted that there could be happiness in a world where all conflict is stilled, all accidents anticipated. Whether we like it or not discord and confusion will remain for a long time to come the normal conditions of human life.

Nevertheless it is important — important to our civilization — that we should hold before us such idealisms as that of the Ville Radieuse. That is one of the noblest functions of architecture: to exhibit in dramatic form the spirit of our epoch, to renew our faith that great things can still be accomplished.

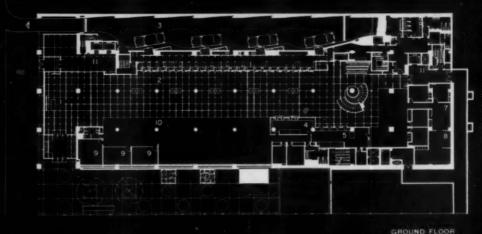


### DEFT REMODELING OF DENVER BANK

James S. Sudler. Architect; Maria Bergson Associates, Associated Interior Designers; Ketchum & Konkel, Structural Engineers; Swanson-Rink & Associates, Electrical Engineers; Herman & Von Rosenberg, Mechanical Engineers; Edgar Britton, Sculptor, Bronze Doors and Outline Map; Peter Ostuni, Enamelist, Enameled Copper Screens; Robert Probst, Artist, Three-Dimensional Directory; N. G. Petry Construction Co., Interior Contractor; George A. Fuller Co., General Contractor







THE UNITED STATES NATIONAL BANK

In The Mile High Center, Denver, Colorado.

Particularly in the West, a bank should provide an air of cheerful friendliness while -paradoxically-maintaining an aura of institutional dignity and solidity long associated with banking. In this example, the architect and his associate interior designers, as well as several additional artists, have worked together to transform an unpromising existing structure into a bank of fitting character that holds more than ordinary esthetic interest.

The existing building was a flat-slab concrete structure with a one-story difference in its two street entrance levels. Possible finish ceiling heights were relatively low, and the mushroom column caps presented a problem. Introduction of an open volute stair helped tig the levels together and gave the spaces a high degree of unity, special lighting fixtures hid the caps gracefully, as the photograph on the page at left shows.

In the main banking area, the floor is light gray-beige terrazzo; the column casings oxidized bronze mesh; the counter walnut and Belgian black marble; the smooth plaster ceiling contains special lighting fixtures made of pieces of aluminum tubing painted white. The back wall is travertine with bronze joint strips; the lobby wall is black marble.

### GROUND FLOOR

- 2 Tellers 3 Drivesin

- 5 Loan Payment

- 9 Executives
- 10 Officers

### SECOND FLOOR

- 12 Trust Officers
- 13 Investment Officers
- 14 Library

- 20 Ramp down
  - 21 Truck dock

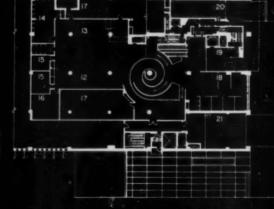
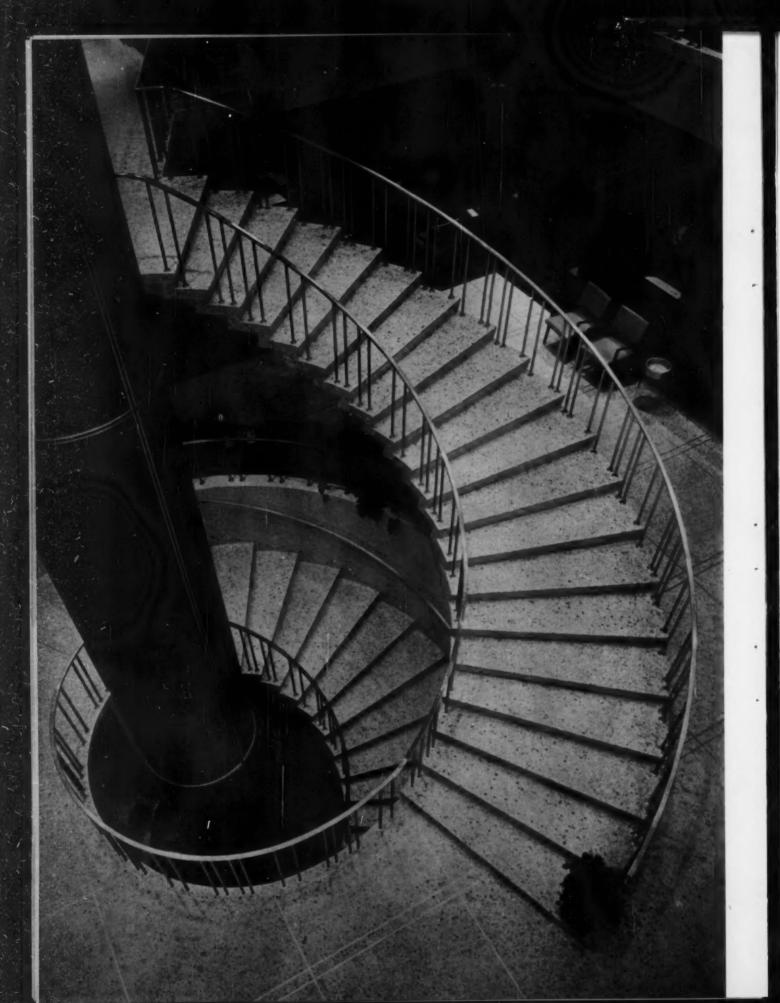


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SECOND FLOOR





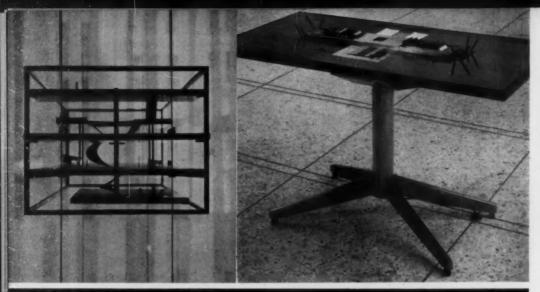
Top—Reception area: walnut panels; off-white carpet; beige-gray, blue and black upholstery. Below—Trust department: gray carpet; walnut panels; white plaster ceiling; dark orange-red



and black upholstery. Below—Vault reception area: white enamel and bronze screen; off-white walls; raw silk hanging; upholstery in rich brown, orange-red and sage green.



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Above, left—Three dimensional suspended directory in enamel and bronze, with black, white and red accents. Above, right—Check desks featuring a flush, built-in adding machine. Above,



Teft—Bronze entrance doors by Edgar Britton. Above, right—Counter with hand-contoured change cups. Below—Drinking fountain of special design; cast bronze.



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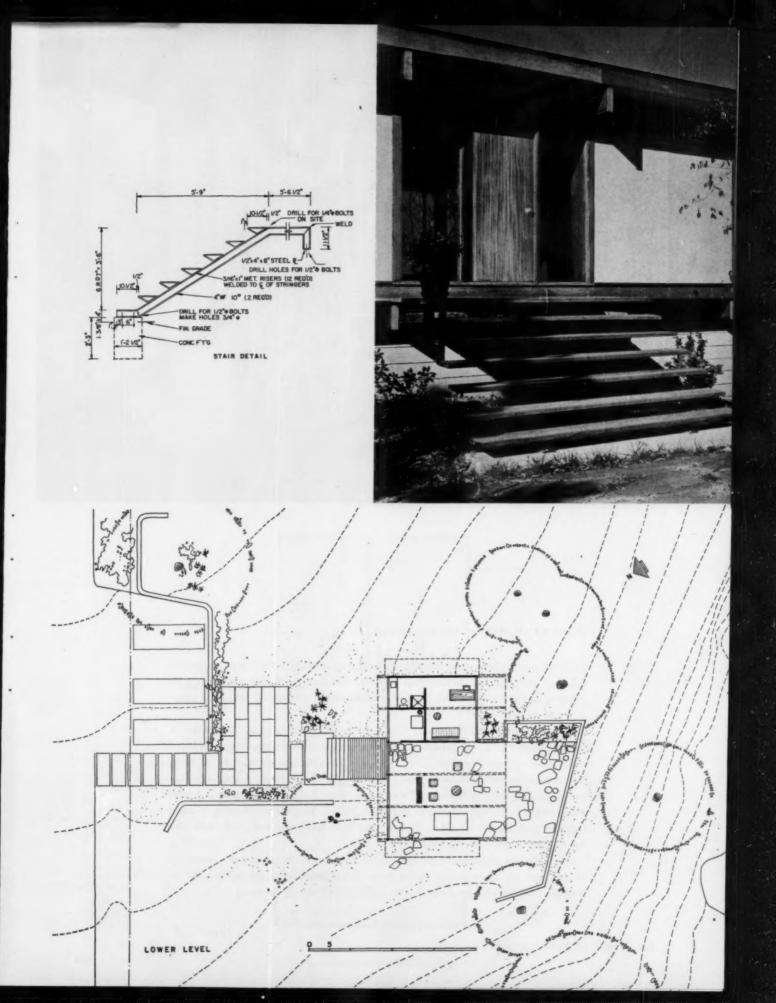
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Residence for Dr. George W. Poland, Raleigh, North Carolina. Architect: George Matsumoto (School of Design, N. C. State College). Associate: Wayne F. Koontz

Adroit use of space, symmetry without monotony, a pleasant contrast of textures and the alternation of openness with enclosure characterize the best of today's residential design. This house, despite its small size and low cost, is prototypical in these respects; it offers many lessons in residential order.

The site drops off sharply to the rear, and the view is toward the south — scarcely ideal for North Carolina. Orientation difficulties were overcome inexpensively by placing the house at the rear of the lot where the house itself could be used to shelter a lower-level terrace facing the view; a cantilevered balcony on this side gives further shade to the terrace and increases the openness of the main floor.

Front and rear façades are, as the photos show, strikingly different: the one is more than half enclosed, the other wholly open. At the front, the centered door is flanked by floor-to-ceiling glass panels which permit a view through the house to

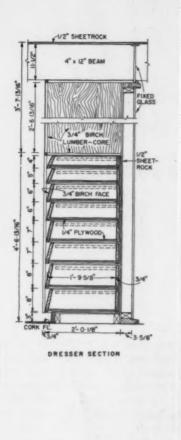




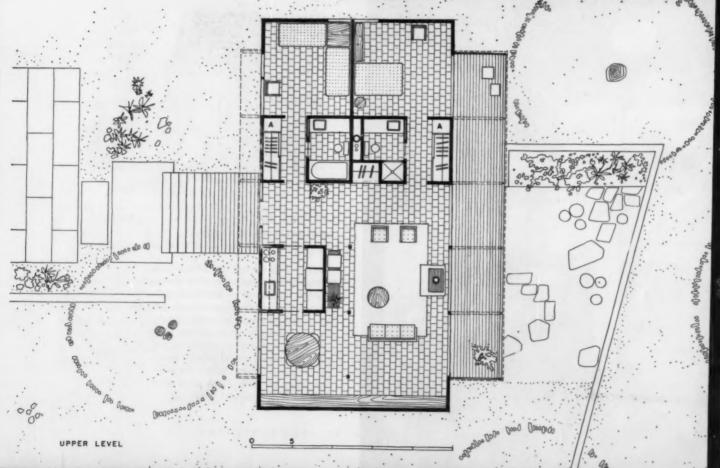
the porch and ravine beyond; cantilevered end wings and open-riser steps emphasize lightness and airiness. The screened porch to the rear adds many square feet of living space to the necessarily limited interior and contributes a columned symmetry of its own.

The most interesting feature of the house probably is its plan. The owner, a faculty member at North Carolina State College, originally wanted an exact duplicate of his architect's own residence (AR, Mid-May '57), but was persuaded that since he is a bachelor and intended to rent a room to a fellow faculty member, he needed two instead of three bedrooms and two baths instead of one. The result is a plan which would work well for almost any small family: note the relationship of main entrance to living area, kitchen, dining room, both bedrooms and porch; note also the uniform spacing of structural bays.

Since this is a small house, no space could be wasted. Bathrooms are minimum in size, and use space-saving sliding doors. Each bedroom gains privacy by an entrance corridor between its bathroom and louvered storage cabinets.











Specially-designed buill-in cabinets save floor space and supply diversified storage facilities. Treatment of kitchen as aisle between living and dining areas is unusual but highly practical in warm climate. House is wood frame on concrete block foundation; exterior walls combine stained pine with natural cement asbestos board. Interior partitions and ceilings are sheetrock, floors are cork. Flush panel wood doors are used throughout

# ARE THE NEEDS OF PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS FUNDAMENTALLY DIFFERENT?

We are in the midst of a great tumult about our school buildings — how many? how much, and where's the money coming from, Uncle Sam? However those questions are decided, the act of asking them has some virtues and raises still further questions, many of which we have dodged. Undoubtedly the to-do has reacquainted many segments of our American world, notably the commercial and political, with the great impor-



Founded in 1791, chartered in 1793, its edifice as pictured built in 1853 from plans by Richard Upjohn, one of the founders of the A.I.A., Berwick Academy in South Berwick could claim to be the oldest academy in the state of Maine.

tance of education. Some among us, facing construction problems and financing difficulties of staggering size, lash out instinctively to say they just can't exist; and all the time the populace keeps growing while more and more school buildings fall into disrepair. There have been many impassioned statements, also, concerning modern teaching methods; the familiar cry about

Johnny's inability to read — which, based on grains of truth though it may be, has the ring of blind hatred of anything new; all the interpretations and misinterpretations of John Dewey's philosophy, which it is the fashion now not to mention openly by name although its effects are unmistakable; the bland assumption by a good many educators that, given proper facilities, proper techniques can create leaders for our people — when the plain fact is that leaders cannot be created, that what can be done is to seek out in individual children the qualities of leadership to enhance, to cultivate and encourage to bloom.

Indeed, our most serious educational fault appears to be our assumption that the mass techniques we have successfully applied to production of things can be equally successful in producing educated, civilized people. Teachers and architects and laymen alike, we have all been guilty of this: of stereotyped classrooms in characterless rows in monotonous buildings on barren sites. True, many devices are being tried to mitigate the effects of the massive increase in school population and our own unimaginativeness - schools-within-schools, quadrangles and courtyards, special programs for the gifted or the slow-to-learn, and so on; these, as examples of what can be done, are the schools we try to publish in these pages. But there are an infinitely greater number of uninspired new American school plants, too many that are downright depressing. As if we had only to provide enough endless belts, press enough starter buttons and let educational machines do the rest!

Perhaps a look at history may reinvigorate our imaginations. The concept of public education now accepted in this country is relatively new. Our public secondary schools, for instance, have existed in something like their present form only a mere century. (In Charlotte, N. C., where public schools are now of a very high order, the

whole concept of the graded school system is even younger!) Our high schools are directly descended from the once-typical New England academy, which was usually founded and supported by a man or a group who had ventured to settle away from the more cultured metropolitan center; it was seldom a proprietary institution; it might be a free academy or a tuition school; a few public-spirited individuals footed the bills. Consider the description of Berwick Academy founded in South Berwick, Maine, in 1791 — the first Maine academy — as reported in Ballou's Pictorial Drawing Room Companion before the turn of the century:

"Its (Berwick's) charter bears the handsome and bold signature of John Hancock. The land on which it stands came to the institution only one remove from the red man . . . a number of gentlemen, distinguished for learning, talents, enterprise and liberality, were engaged in the initiative (sic) step of its creation. . . . In 1792 it was assisted by a grant of land from the legislature . . . The number of pupils was originally limited to 40 . . . boys exclusively; but in 1795 females were admitted." The reverend gentleman who sparkplugged the "initiative step" rode a horse from South Berwick to Boston to secure legislative approval of the new academy's charter, just for 40 country boys.

Fryeburg Academy, founded a year later, has an almost identical history. These and others like them, of which fortunately a few are still operating, were conceived as public or semi-public institutions by private individuals who supported them with their own minds, hands and pocketbooks, who at the same time sought for them all the public support that could be obtained. There was no thought of a conflict of interest: the objective was education of as high a quality as the times allowed, and all joined in furthering it. Up to a point, the parallel afforded by St. Edmund's School, with which this study closes, is obvious. The arguments now going on in some states over transportation of pupils to private schools in public school buses may, in the light of such historic precedent, benefit from a different perspective. Are we less concerned than our forbears with providing the educational wherewithal? Should the White House Conference on Education held a year and a half ago have been permitted to virtually write off private schools?

Of the many different kinds of private schools we have been able to include only a few in this short study; actually they are at least as various as public schools and their philosophies differ even more widely. Nearly all of them face financial difficulties at least as serious as the public schools; and all require physical facilities appropriate to their own aims. Many have to make virtues of the shortcomings of their plants, utilizing instead of the latest gold-plated tools of education the human qualities of dedication, love and individual attention to their charges, turning to advantage close spiritual ties or the economy and earthy richness of a rural location. Most have grown in size, though slowly and with parallel development of purpose.

Are there lessons in this for our public schools, for



Abore, Fryeburg Academy — compare with photograph opposite! — as it was in 1801 when Daniel Webster became its principal

our great undertaking of educating the masses? Are our techniques likely to submerge our aims, and while they're about that, to cost so much that those who decry obvious needs could find in them pretty solid arguments? We do not presume to know the answers to such questions, nor do we believe others have them pat. We do believe, as the founders of Berwick and Fryeburg Academies did, that education is a matter for deep concern both public and private, that school buildings, entire plants and all their equipment, ought to be the best and most appropriate we can produce; and that mass production techniques, though they may become invaluable aids, cannot successfully replace completely the human qualities of individuals however faulty.



Above, English Commons, Phillips Academy; below, Norwich, Conn., Free Academy





# FRYEBURG ACADEMY IN MAINE

Just out of Dartmouth in 1801, Daniel Webster became principal of Fryeburg Academy; salary, \$350 annually. In May, 1802, he took his quarter's pay to his brother in Hanover; he wrote: "I had the pleasure of putting (my first earnings) into my brother's hands for his college expenses."



### FRYEBURG ACADEMY: GIBSON RECREATIONAL CENTER

Architects and engineers for Gibson Recreational Center: Alonzo J. Harriman, Inc. This is the newest building at Fryeburg Academy. Founded in 1792, the Academy is both a boarding school for students from all over the world and the high school for the children who come from the surrounding rural locality by daily bus. It is coeducational. It has contributed much to the reputation of Fryeburg, "the aristocrat of Maine villages." Some of the Academy's alumni have returned to the village to live; many of this year's graduates are third or fourth generation Ivy League college candidates; outside the village and the state its name is well known. Its concern with students who do not go on to college is equally deep. This is in the tradition of the northern-New-England academy.

So too are Fryeburg Academy's genuinely conservative educational methods. The brick and granite "academic" building, built in 1850 and enlarged in 1930, has desks still screwed to the floor, their tops still bearing the initials of long-departed alumni, in rooms that do not take kindly to modern isms. Teaching is primarily of the 3 R's type, with little apparent progressiveness; yet in actuality its philosophy, slowly modified over the years, is more humane than that of many a school proud of its courses in the humanities, more honestly liberal than many a progressive school.

The school plant for this small, diverse student body covers many acres and includes many types of facilities: the busy home economics department, the well equipped industrial arts shop, the commercial and business department, the Academy Farm with its cattle and acres of fertile Intervale land; conventional classrooms; dormitories and dining facilities — the lounges of the new girls' dormitory and of the Recreational Center provide settings for the occasional departures from routine that help make learning fun. Facilities for indoor and outdoor games are recognized essentials for improving the physical well-being of all the students. The thirty acres of playing fields are constantly being developed; the earlier Gibson Gymnasium, formerly for boys and girls, was extensively changed for the girls' use when the Recreational Center was completed.





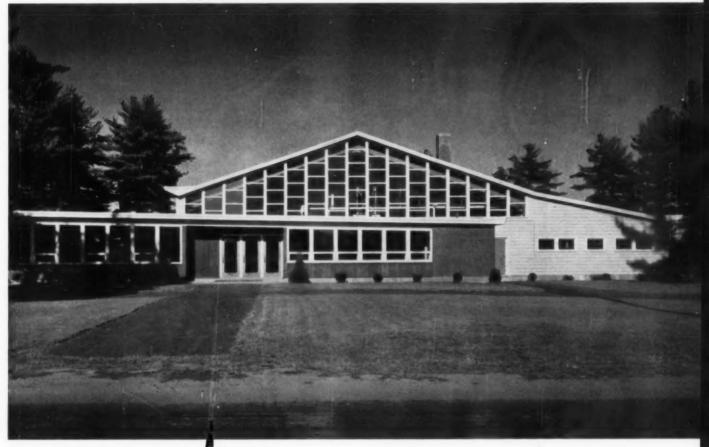




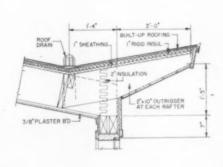


One of the older buildings at Fryeburg, before and after remodeling

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# FRYEBURG ACADEMY

Fryeburg's Gibson Recreational Center is more than a physical education building. The lounge, used also as a music room, has an important set of educational functions: here the chorus and band rehearse, the debating sessions and prize speaking contests take place; here the Friday night dorm record hops are held; here are conducted the many things, all requiring meeting places, that are parts of the life of a small academy.



# CONNECTICUT PUBLIC SCHOOL

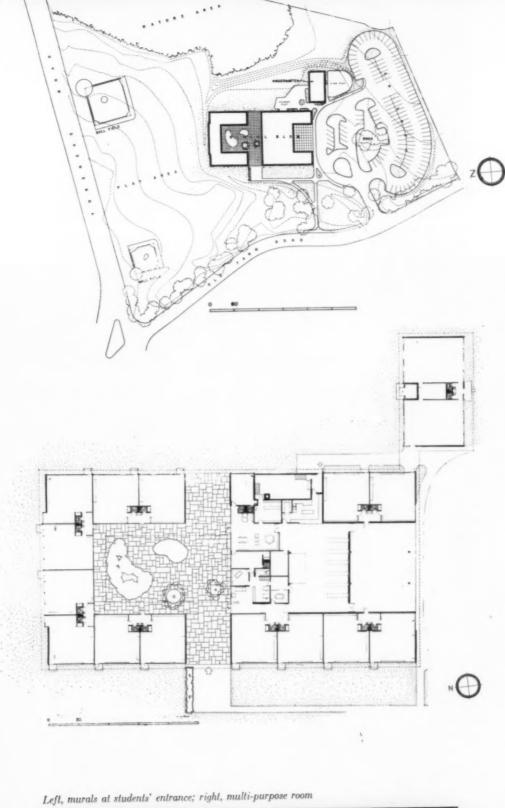
Tokeneke Elementary School, Darien, Conn., O'Connor & Kilham, Architects. Tokeneke affords a decided contrast to the Academy, that strong exponent of healthy tradition shown in the pages immediately preceding. Tokeneke is a public school, for elementary grades; it was completed in time for the opening of school last September. It has been adjudged an excellent example of contemporary architecture—it won an Award of Merit from the American Institute of Architects this year, and it has been selected for exhibition at the Art Festival in Boston. Tokeneke is compact, on a relatively small site; one story, with extensive areas of glass in its walls. Teaching methods are quite advanced; the furniture and equipment incorporate the latest appropriate features. Yet there are parallels: one feels upon entering the building that this is a friendly place where each small child receives personal attention. In part this feeling undoubtedly derives from its architectural qualities—the warm, pleasant materials and colors—and in part it obviously reflects the community's attitude as translated by the faculty and administration.



# CONNECTICUT PUBLIC SCHOOL









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Like pupils at the Academy shown in preceding pages, Tokeneke's students must go outdoors to get from classroom to multi-purpose room, library or office; this, in spite of the cold New England winter, has proved quite satisfactory. At Tokeneke the corridorless grouping of classrooms around the court was adopted partly for economy's sake. The building cost \$14.40 per square foot, neither cheap nor extravagant for the quality desired and the date of construction; but there is less building to house the given capacity, so cost per child was low. The library is something of a monument to Yankee independence: though the state education office objected, the school library occupies a wide, well traveled corridor, thus economizing on construction and making the library a daily fact of each pupil's life.



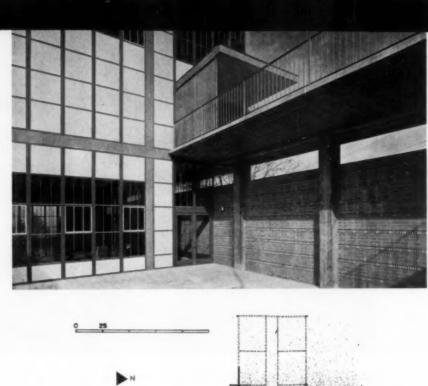


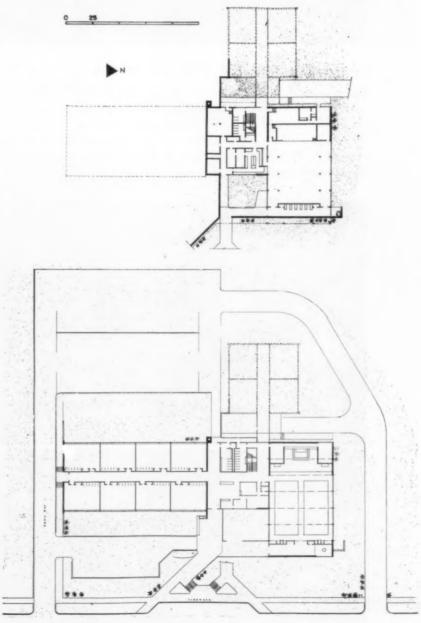
# PAROCHIAL SCHOOL IN SEATTLE

Elementary School, St. Paul's Parish, Catholic Archdiocese of Seattle, Wash.; Roger Gotteland, Architect. Serving as an assembly place and a temporary church as well as an elementary school, this parish institution was built in 1955 at a cost of \$11.80 per square foot. The sanctuary occupies what will later become the gymnasium when the permanent church is built. Construction is entirely masonry, with SCR brick used both in normal fashion and, sawed through one row of cores, with rough surfaces exposed to form patterns visible in the photograph across page.

Although the auditorium-gymnasium-church wing is two stories, each level is directly accessible from grade: the church by means of a bridge, the auditorium via an open court sheltered by a high retaining wall. In such fashion was the steeply sloping lot turned to economical advantage. The ease with which the plan can be converted completely to school use, and the simplicity of future expansion, are clear in the accompanying drawings.









#### SEATTLE PAROCHIAL SCHOOL

Conservative in method — witness the carefully aligned classroom desks — this school yet contains many of the practical devices and types of equipment developed for schools in recent years. The double-loaded classroom corridor is skylighted; clerestories provide bilateral light for the eight classrooms; tack space, cabinets and efficient wardrobe units are provided. A rear exit from the classroom wing gives access to large parking and play areas.

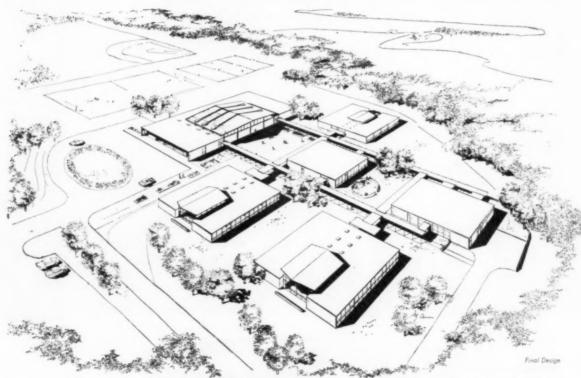




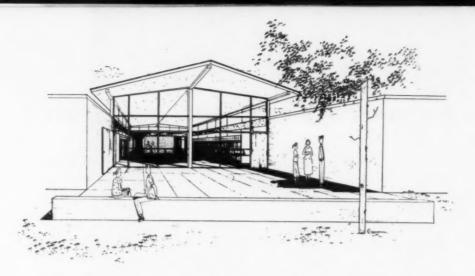


# FLEXIBLE DESIGN FOR NEW DISTRICT

Parkway Junior High School, Creve Coeur, Mo. Hellmuth, Obata & Kassabaum, Architects; Engelhardt, Engelhardt, Leggett & Cornell, Educational Consultants. This school, now under construction for the newly consolidated Parkway District, is the result of the concerted work of many people. The locale is the St. Louis suburbs, which have recently grown explosively. In 1953, three districts formed a Citizens' Study Group which, assisted by professional educational consultants, painstakingly studied the area's needs. One result was consolidation for, in part, the purpose of providing a sound basis for starting a secondary school system. Another was so thorough a public comprehension of their problems that an exceptionally close rapport still exists between lay citizens, educators and architects. Still another was a set of objectives so clear that a definite program could be developed and an archi-

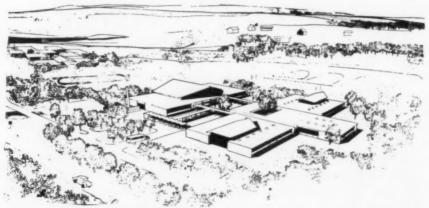


tectural competition held, open to all architects in metropolitan St. Louis. Buford L. Pickens, A.I.A., was professional adviser; William W. Caudill, F.A.I.A., Charles R. Colbert, A.I.A., and George D. Engelhardt of the Missouri Department of Education composed the jury. In accordance with the study group's findings, the site selected contained 102 acres, and the competition required its full development to include a senior and a junior high; first prize was the contract for the junior high which would for the present house grades 10-11-12 as well. Among the general considerations which characterized the program were a desire for great flexibility; determination to provide a school designed specifically for the transitional age of the junior high pupil; a wish to avoid rigid departmentalization; provision for non-academic subjects; appropriate emphasis on the social aspects of school life and on full community use.

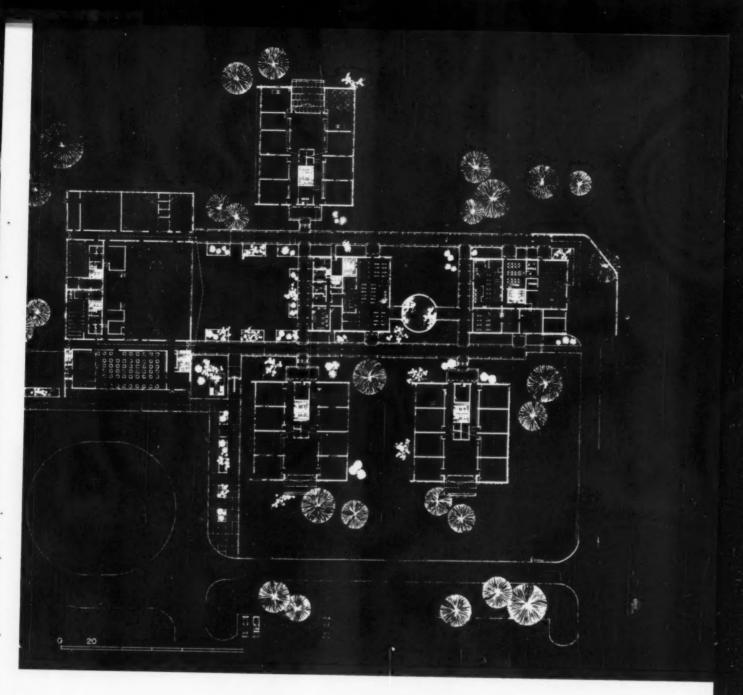


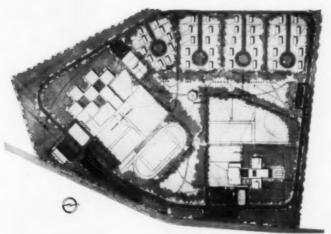
## MISSOURI JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

To Robert D. Snyder, Parkway Superintendent, is due much credit for this undertaking. He has stated that Parkway has all the customary financial problems of expanding school districts; that economy was a necessity but that the true economy of making certain the school would serve well for many years was elected rather than the cheapest possible enclosure of space. Simple construction and materials, ease of maintenance and durability, and flexible design were insisted upon. The design, modified as indicated below, includes three "schools within a school," each containing a large central space or general education laboratory. Two of these are for the present junior high, one for a senior high (which will eventually have its own plant); the three other units will house non-academic subjects; administration and library; and gymnasium, cafeteria and music rooms. With inclusion of senior high facilities, the cost has been increased from the \$600,000 envisioned at the time of the competition to \$986,000. The school will accommodate 600 pupils, 200 in each of the three "little schools." Construction is to be wall-bearing concrete block with steel framing for the raised roof and long-span areas. Exteriors will be brick, glass and sprayed concrete. Interiors will be painted block, with a plastic finish in kitchen, toilets and locker rooms. Each unit will have its own oil burner supplying forced warm air through under-floor ducts with peripheral ventilation and individual room controls. Lighting will be fluorescent.

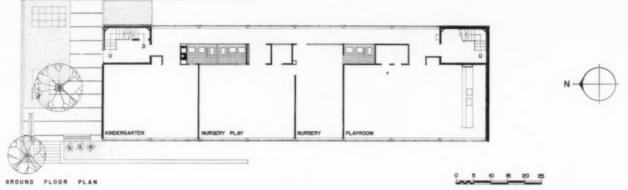


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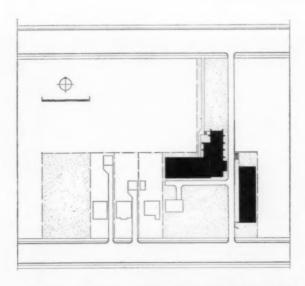






# NONSECTARIAN SCHOOL FOR BOYS

St. Edmunds' School, Episcopal Diocese of Pittsburgh, Pa. John Pekruhn, Architect. Formerly known as Ascension Academy, this young school was founded in 1947 by Bishop Campbell, then rector of the Church of the Ascension. So vigorous was the school that it soon outgrew its original location and spread into temporary quarters in the Redeemer parish house, with the nursery and kindergarten housed in the present Calvary Church rectory. This was in 1951. Then and in the next two years much happened. A new headmaster was named; a donor, Mrs. Edmund W. Mudge, gave the school land adjoining the Church of the Redeemer; the architect was commissioned and a building fund campaign was launched; the school was approved as an organization of the Diocese; and, following naturally from the fact that the board of trustees of this nonsectarian school is interdenominational, it was decided to adopt a name independent of any Pittsburgh church. St. Edmunds' was the name selected because it recalled the man in whose memory the land was given and because the young king of East Anglia, martyred because he would not compromise (portrayed in the contemporary sculpture by Eliza Miller), was considered an appropriate patron saint of boys.



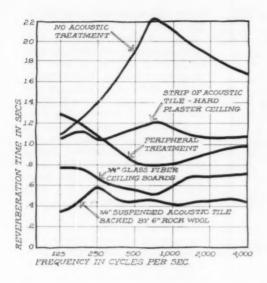




# NONSECTARIAN BOYS' SCHOOL

One of the virtues of schools of this type is, usually, the small size of classes and the consequent close relationship between teacher and students. Above, classroom and kindergarten room; below, library.







# New School Designs Bring Along Noise Problems

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This article in expanded form is appearing concurrently in Noise Control

Noise problems in schools have been accentuated because of changing school design concepts. School construction is lighter (sound can penetrate walls more easily): there is considerable emphasis on "open planning" (eliminales barriers for stopping sound); natural ventilation has become more prevalent (makes way for cross transmission of sound and admission of outdoor noises); and the wide range of school activities brings up more special problems (audio-visual rooms, music practice rooms, etc.) Fortunately there are acoustical techniques available which can mitigate these problems while still preserving the intent of these new design features.

There are certain steps to be taken with any school to minimize noise. The first of these is to select a site as remote as possible from noise sources. If this can't be done, at least classrooms and administrative areas can be buffered by other buildings such as shops which can be closer to the noise. The next step is to have interior spaces sufficiently quiet and to prevent excessive sound transmission between rooms. This is the primary concern of the following article.

### Open Classrooms

Consider the noise problems within

the classroom first. The noise to be controlled is generated in the classroom itself by the teachers and the students. The noise level inside the room is, of course, a function of the amount of acoustical absorption in the room and the amount and type of activity. The Acoustical Materials Association has sponsored a study by our firm of the various acoustical conditions prevailing in classrooms in several schools over the country and part of these data are shown in the chart above. Noise level within a room will vary directly with the reverberation time. Notice that there is a spread in reverberation time from about 0.4 second to about 1.2 seconds for all the acoustically treated rooms, and our tentative findings were that the teachers in these classrooms were satisfied with the interior acoustics of the rooms or at least had not complained that the rooms were too noisy or too live. These data are for standard size classrooms approximately 24 ft wide, 30 to 35 ft long, with a 9 ft ceiling.

Our preliminary recommendation is that the amount of absorption is not critical so long as the reverberation time for the empty room is below one second and preferably around 0.8 second throughout the frequency band. From these acoustical studies in the schools, it was found that a much more serious consideration from a noise standpoint was the lack of noise control between classrooms. Many times the lack of noise control is caused by poor wall construction; however, as often it results from efforts to achieve the best natural ventilation possible (especially in the warmer climates) without sufficient money being budgeted for attendant sound control.

We found that classroom walls of most new construction does not come very close to the commonly recommended value of 35 to 40 db. To substantiate these observations, we decided to measure the noise reduction achieved in twenty schools and question the faculties as to the suitability of their classroom environments (study also sponsored by the Acoustical Materials Association).

One school in which conceivably there could be a noise problem due to the interior arrangement is shown in the sketch above. Notice that there are no side walls whatsoever; therefore, the only acoustic isolation between rooms is the heavily treated ceiling and the partial barrier partition between each classroom. The space divider which serves in

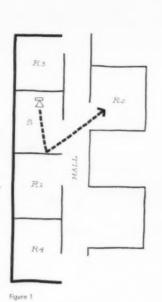
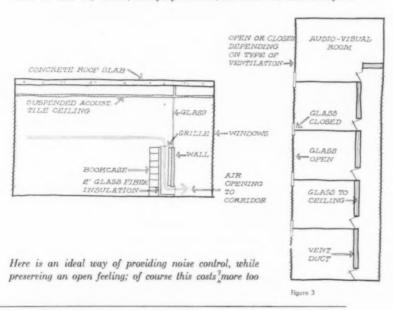




Figure 2

Open planning brings with it inherent noise problems, but some ways are better than others to minimize distraction. Figure 1: Sound from room "S" hits a partition and bounces across the hall into "R<sub>1</sub>"; average N.R. (noise reduction) is only 11.5 db between the two. The arrangement in Figure 2 gives 15 db between room "S" and "R<sub>1</sub>" which, while far from ideal, did not seem to cause annoyance



place of the corridor wall extends only halfway to the ceiling and only a few feet from the dividing wall. Only 15 db noise reduction is obtained between adjacent rooms.

Actually, this school seems to be designed as well as could be expected from an acoustical standpoint if an open plan is wanted. (See Figure 2.) We made measurements in one other open plan school in which the noise reduction between classrooms was much less. The reason for the lesser noise reduction

between rooms in the second school (Figure 1) is twofold; first, the latter school is not heavily treated with acoustical material and sound propagates down the hall more readily; and second, the sound is actually reflected directly into classrooms across the hall from each other. For example, sound emanating in the source rooms are reflected from the partition between the source room and the room labeled "R-1" and propagate directly into "R-2" which is across the hall. Also, the hall is wide and

all its surfaces are glass, concrete or hard plaster.

Various architects have asked what might be done acoustically to preserve the feeling of openness and space and yet provide a measure of noise control. Figure 3 shows one possibility. In this scheme an attempt is made to obtain about 12 to 15 db reduction from classroom to corridor through the ventilating duct built into the divider. Also, the corridor ceiling is acoustically treated and will act as a sound-absorbing chamber rather than a sound propagation duct and thereby reduce the sound transmission down the hall to the adjacent classroom. The ceilings of the rooms are also fully treated with acoustic tile to reduce the noise level in each room, and the combination of these three treatments should, we believe, provide about 25 to 38 db noise reduction between classrooms. These measures do add to the expense of the building; therefore, it is doubtful that they will be installed until the teachers demand more acoustic privacy than is presently afforded them.

### Cross-Ventilation

Figure 4 illustrates the type of noise problem one encounters in the more customary double-loaded corridor schools where the ventilation is through the classroom wing from the window side, through the hall, into the opposite classrooms. For normal conditions, with the windows and transoms in the corridor wall open, only 14 decibels noise reduction is obtained between the source room and opposite room "R-2" which is across the hall. This noise reduction could have been greatly improved upon in this particular case if a very absorbent ceiling had been used in both classrooms and corridor instead of hard plaster. As a result of the hard plaster ceilings, the sound propagated very well along the ceiling, through the transoms and into the opposite room. When the windows and transoms are closed, which could be only a few days a year for this Texas school, a respectable average noise reduction of 31 to 32 db is achieved between the various class-

Figure 5 shows another double-loaded corridor classroom wing in which the ceiling of both rooms and corridor was heavily treated with acoustic tile. The noise reduction in rooms across the hall from each other and with the corridor transoms open is up to a reasonably good 26 db average. Rooms adjacent to each other have gone up to 19 db aver-

age and would have been even better had it not been for the fact that the common wall between the two adjacent classrooms did not go to the floor slab or roof — they simply went up to a suspended acoustic tile ceiling and therefore there was considerable sound transmission over the wall to the adjacent room.

The solution to the noise transmission problem between adjacent rooms is well known and it is to continue the 30 to 35 db common walls all the way to the ceiling. The problem of noise transmission from the classroom to the hall has not generally been recognized, or if it has, it has been ignored. One suggestion for a partial solution to the problem is shown in Figure 6. The main objection to the sound absorbing baffles placed over each opening above and below the hall lockers is their cost, and this suggestion may meet with some resistance on this count.

In our field studies noise reduction measurements were also taken where efforts were made to provide ventilation with some measure of noise control. Figure 7 shows classrooms which had a ventilating duct separating them. In this case jalousie windows are open to the prevailing wind on one side, the air passes through the ventilating duct into the classroom, and then outside through another set of jalousie windows. The measurements showed that 23 db isolation was obtained between the rooms back to back separated by the duct, but only 19 db was obtained for rooms adjacent on the same side of the duct with their windows open. With the big jalousie windows closed, this attenuation was increased to 25 db. This entire arrangement could have been improved considerably if separators had been put in the ventilating ducts so that the adjacent rooms, S and Ra, were not interconnected to each other and if the duct between S and R, had been lined with a sufficient thickness of material. In this particular case the duct lining consisted of 34-inch thick glass fiber duct liner with the tarred side exposed instead of the soft side, and so was not very effective. However, it should be noted again that with the 23 db noise reduction between the rooms, there have been no teacher complaints whatsoever even though the teachers' desks were located back to back.

In Figures 10 and 11, two other types of ducts are shown; the duct in Figure 10 is a ventilating duct above a corridor on a double-loaded corridor wing and again the lining of this duct was com-

pletely inadequate and consisted of 1/6in. perforated acoustic tile. The average attenuation between these two rooms shown in Figure 9 was 23 db. However. for teachers standing directly under the duct and facing each other the attenuation was down possibly to 18 db at the mouth of the duct and considerable complaint has been registered. When a new wing of the school building was to be built, the architect asked for improvements in the original system. The duct in Figure 11 was designed and installed between classrooms which were back to back without a corridor in hetween.

In the new classroom wing the average attenuation between classrooms was 26 db, and this improvement was such that the faculty considered the noise reduction completely satisfactory. Why should 3 db difference in the average attenuation cause such a different teacher reaction? In this case it is thought that the difference is the result of the greater attenuation of sound at the higher frequencies (from 600 cps up)

which if too prominent make speech much less intelligible.

Throughout our measurements it was found that there were very few faculty complaints if the noise reduction between classrooms amounted to 26 db or more.

Summing up, we would recommend that no classrooms have less than 25 to 30 db noise reduction between them if at all possible. If there is to be a common ventilating duct, then there is no necessity for building a wall which has a transmission loss of more than 20 to 25 db. Of course, in corridorless schools the noise reduction is even less, and simple, single-thickness plywood partitions or glass will suffice.

### **Problems With Other Rooms**

Another room which has come into general use in modern schools is the "cafetorium." Experience has shown that the design of these particular rooms is usually based more upon cafeteria requirements than upon auditorium requirements. The rooms, therefore, should

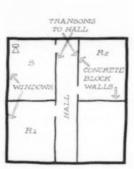
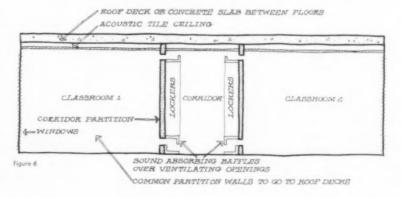
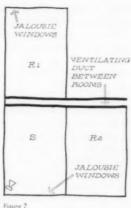


Figure 4



Openings for natural ventilation, without provision for acoustical control can cause poor noise reduction. In Figure 4, where all room surfaces are hard, the N.R. between rooms "S" and " $R_2$ " is 14 db with windows and transoms open. Figure 5 is much better with an average of 19 db between "S" and " $R_1$ "; it also has a glass fiber ceiling. Figure 6 shows recommendation for cross ventilation





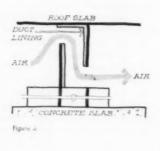
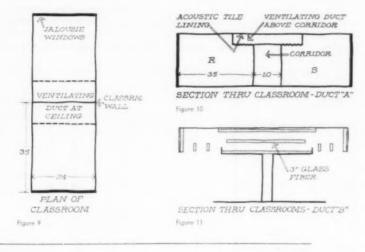
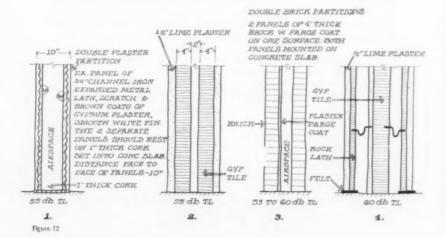


Figure 7

When classrooms are back to back, common ventilation ducts are often used. The situation in Figures 7 and 8 will suffice if the duct is lined sufficiently with insulation. The situation in Figure 10 was inadequate when lined only with acoustical tile (jagged line is grille). Improvement is shown in Figure 11



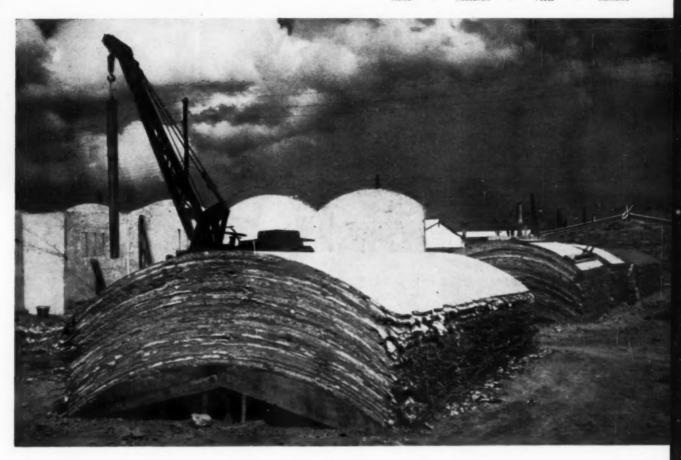
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be treated primarily as a problem in noise control. It is recommended that as much absorptive material be used in a cafetorium as possible so that the clatter of the dishes will be somewhat reduced and the conversation will not get acoustically overpowering. Since cafetoriums invariably have low ceilings and improper layout for a good auditorium, it is impossible to treat the room for a good hearing. A sound amplifier is recommended for speech distribution.

The next room in which noise can be quite a problem is the gymnasium. It can be effectively treated at minimum cost first of all by using an exposed, acoustically absorbent roof decking, thereby providing an entire ceiling with a noise coefficient of 0.8 or more. This type of roof combined with concrete block walls having the rough face exposed will give an acoustically satisfactory and economical gymnasium.

The music department also comes in for its share of problems. If the band room cannot be in a separate structure, then special attention to sound reduction of walls is required. If the choral room and the rest of the music department are located in the same wing, it will be necessary to provide good isolation between these two rooms; as a matter of fact, a minimum of 55 db noise reduction should be provided for any room adjacent to the band room, with possibly the exception of a machine shop or manual arts room. Several satisfactory wall constructions for 55 db are shown in Figure 12 and may be used interchangeably, depending on cost. If the choral room is located next to the band room, as in many music departments, it would be even better to provide 60 to 65 db attenuation and this may be accomplished rather economically by putting a row of practice rooms or storage rooms between the band room and the choral room. The interior acoustics of the choral room are quite critical and the wall finishes should be selected to provide a uniform response with frequency in this room and have a reverberation time of about 0.7 to 0.9 second. We can state this with reasonable assurance as most schools allocate about the same size rooms for choral rooms. The interior acoustics of the band room, however, are not critical except that, in our opinion, the room should be as dead as possible. The control of low frequencies are particularly important. We have found that if a considerable amount of exposed porous concrete block masonry can be used, it will effectively absorb the low frequencies.



# PRECAST SHELLS STACKED TO CUT COSTS

Although they may at first glance look like oversized slabs of strudel, the striated mounds pictured above are the product of a Latin-American recipe for low cost thin shell construction. Working with barrel roof shells supported on precast walls and columns, Colombian architect Alvaro Ortega, currently teaching at Harvard's Graduate School of Design, has developed a method of casting curved concrete sections on the ground in stacks of as many as forty — one atop the other — so that all the shells required for a structure can in most cases be cast from a single form. Columns and walls are also cast on the ground, with the wall sections stacked in the same way as the shells.

Ortega, who has tested his system on projects ranging from a 600 unit housing development to a chicle processing factory, believes that this reduction in formwork may cut total construction costs by as much as 35 or 40 per cent. Additional savings result from the speed with which such a building may be erected. As Ortega points out, work proceeds on the roof and foundations simultaneously — and once the supports are in position, the shells can be placed very rapidly.

Perhaps as essential to this type of construction as

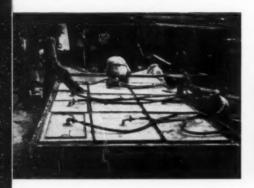
the concrete mixer is the vacuum equipment that is used not only in lifting the precast elements, but in forming them as well. As each shell or wall section is poured, it is covered with pads connected by hoses to a vacuum pump which draws out the uncombined water in the concrete. Within half an hour, the newlypoured surface, though still moist, is strong enough to support the wet concrete of the next shell. To prevent bonding between the stacked layers and to give a smooth undersurface, each shell or wall is coated with paper or lime paint before the next element is poured. Using this vacuum drying system, it is possible to cast eight layers per day in each stack. And, because each layer is sealed top and bottom, the stack becomes a ready-made curing room in which moisture and temperature are kept uniform until the concrete reaches full strength.

The shells are usually poured over a curved wooden form in thicknesses of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  to 2 in., and reinforced by a mesh of  $\frac{1}{4}$  in. bars on 8 in. centers, with additional diagonal reinforcing following the lines of principal stress. The thickness of wall sections varies from 3 in. for houses to  $3\frac{1}{2}$  in. for factories or warehouses. Both

Roof shells and wall sections are cast in layers on the ground, each acting as a form for the one above. Because formwork is kept to a minimum, construction costs may be reduced by as much as 40 per cent.









Vacuum equipment "pre-dries" each layer of concrete before the next is poured (photo far left). Later the same equipment is attached to a crane and used to hoist the precast elements into place.

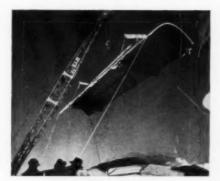


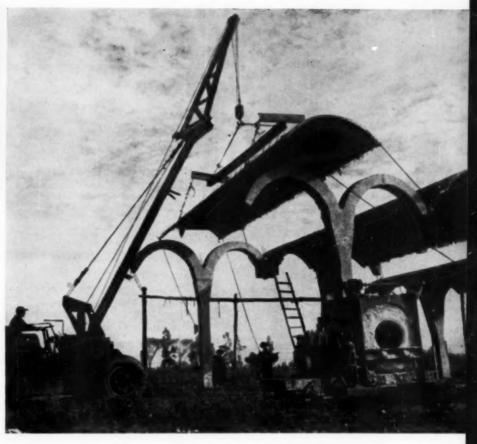


are reinforced with ½ in. bars spaced 14 in. on center. The wall sections are formed around the necessary openings for doors and windows; and, on at least one of the factory projects, Ortega provided built-in skylights by casting small sections of glass directly into the barrel vaulted shell roof.

When the precast elements are ready to be lifted into

position, the vacuum equipment goes into action again. A vacuum lifter with suction pads similar to those used in "pre-curing" the concrete is placed over the section to be lifted, and connected by a system of ropes and pulleys to the crane which finally strips the shell or wall from its stack and hoists it into position. Although the lifter is capable of handling sections of almost any







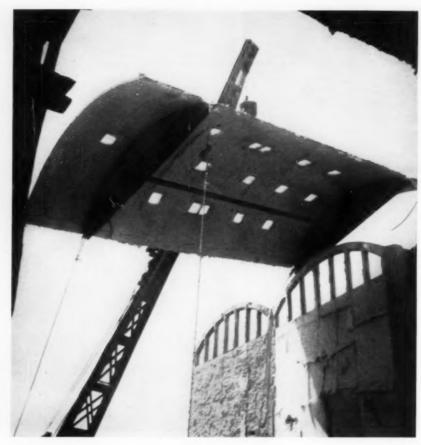


The thin concrete shells for this 600 unit housing project in Bogota, Colombia, were cast at the rate of eight per stack per day. Using the vacuum lifting process, 20 or 25 shells were placed daily.

size, the maximum dimensions practical for the shells and walls are determined to some extent by the capacity of the crane. For the projects shown here, an 8-ton crane was used, limiting the shells for the factory roofs to a length of about 40 ft and widths of 9 to 12 ft. Wall sections for the houses are 22 ft long by 9 ft high; those for the factories are 20 ft high and 11 ft wide.

The upper sections of both walls and columns are cast to conform with the curvature of the shells they support. Because the shells can then act as simply supported beams rather than as arches, tie rods are unnecessary, and placing is easier and faster. Two types of supporting capitals are used with the columns, depending on the desired spacing between bays. When





Openings for doors and windows—and even glazed skylights as in the shell at right—are formed into the elements as they are cast. To eliminate tie rods and speed erection, column capitals and upper wall sections follow the curvature of the shells they support.



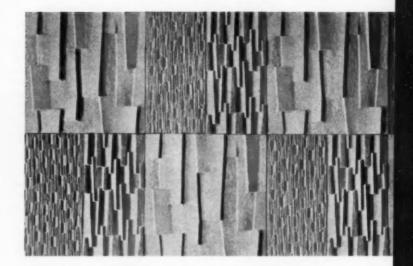


bay spacing need not exceed the combined width of two barrel shells, the columns are formed with radiating arches which support a shell on each side of the column; if more than two shells are needed to roof a bay, adjacent columns are spanned by a beam which is "scalloped" with arch sections that support as many shells as are required. In forming the elements, allowance is made for a one or two inch cast-in-place joint and the reinforcing is placed so as to extend several inches beyond the edge of the concrete. When all the sections are in place, they are connected by simply overlapping the reinforcing (or welding it) and filling the joint with concrete.

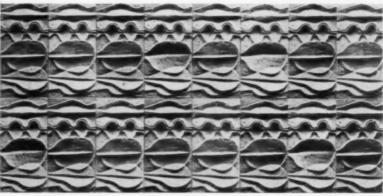
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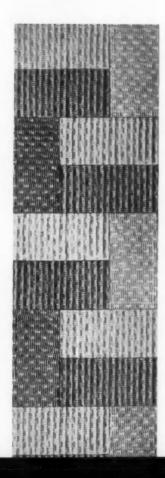




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### **HOUSE ANCHORAGES: 1-Introduction**

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#### SCOPE OF STUDY

Whether or not anchorage is necessary for small buildings, particularly houses, has long been open to question. Faced with this problem, the Federal Housing Administration asked the Building Research Advisory Board to study the problem and make recommendations. The Building Research Advisory Board consequently asked a group of individuals from various parts of the building industry to consider this problem and to report its findings and recommendations.

It was evident that there is no hard and fast answer applicable to all parts of the country. The forces to be resisted vary, the types of construction vary and, consequently, the likelihood of forces large enough to cause overturning or displacement of the house from its foundation varies in different parts of the country. In some instances, anchorage is needed; in others, it is unnecessary. An an-

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alysis must be made to determine whether anchorage is or is not required.

It was decided that it is possible to design anchorages for (1) wind, (2) earth pressure and (3) earthquakes. On the other hand, tornadoes are disasters and structures in their direct paths are subjected to forces too great to be resisted by economical residential construction. The best that can be done is to design houses for normally expected high winds including hurricanes, but not for tornadoes. Similarly, floods are excluded from the study. Blast has been excluded also because too little is known about the areas where blast might be probable and important. If earthquake forces are severe enough a house will be destroyed, but if the forces are not great enough to destroy the house, it is possible to anchor it against displacement.

The committee recommended that research be carried on in a number of different fields. These recommendations for research include, in addition to the uncertainties surrounding floods and blast, a careful analysis of insurance and F.H.A. records to determine to what extent damage has actually occurred because of displacement of houses from their foundations. Certain insurance company records

showed no widespread damage but also revealed uncertainties in the records with respect to the degree to which damaged houses may or may not have been anchored, the degree to which anchored houses may have been saved from damage because they were anchored, and similar uncertainties. Furthermore, with the trend toward lighter construction, the probabilities of displacement due to wind and other forces are increasing. In addition, further research is recommended to determine the ability of different types of anchorage to withstand the forces imposed.

### ANALYTICAL APPROACH

#### Wind

Wind is easily the most important of the natural forces to be resisted by a house and its anchorage.

The problem has been approached from two standpoints: (1) an analytical approach which would make possible fairly exact computations of wind forces and the resistance of a building to displacement, and (2) a quick approximate check by means of graphs to determine whether the more exact but more laborious analytical approach is (Continued on page 227)

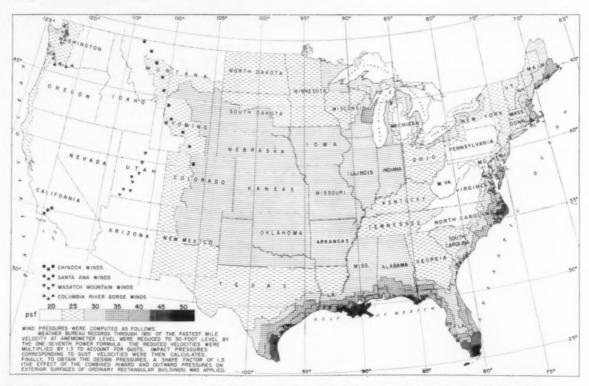


Fig. 1. To convert wind values shown on map to figures suitable for residential purposes,

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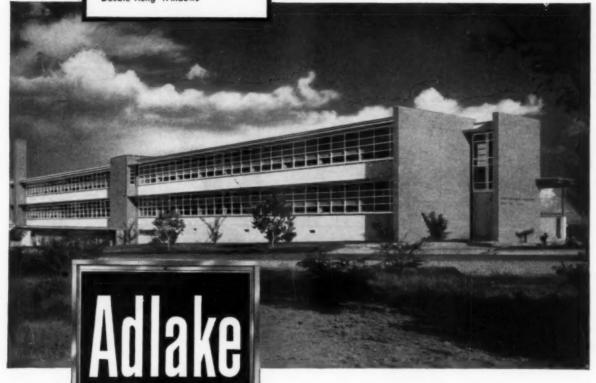
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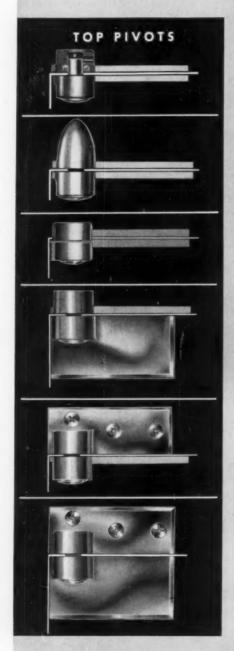
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necessary. The analytical approach is set forth first, and the more rapid graphical approach is then described.

The analytical approach to wind pressures is based upon the wind map (Figure 1) prepared for A.S.A. publication A-58.1-1955. It shows the expected wind pressures in various parts of the country in pounds per square foot against a surface oriented at right angles to the direction of the wind.

The design pressures shown on the map are for a basis 30-ft level and need to be modified for residential purposes where building heights are less than 30 ft. As a matter of interest, it may be noted that 30 lb per sq ft corresponds roughly to a 100-mile wind.

When a wind blows directly against the vertical wall of a house, the full wind pressure is applied. On the leeward side of a house, a negative pressure exists because of the partial vacuum developed which tends to force the leeward wall out in the same direction as the direction of the wind. Furthermore, a flat roof experiences an upward pressure and the same holds true of roofs of shallow pitch. Not until the pitch exceeds approximately 27 to 30 degrees does a positive pressure develop on a slaping roof. The leeward roof experiences a negative pressure or uplift at all times. Where overhanging eaves are encountered, strong uplift pressures can be expected. These are approximately double the design pressure on the windward side, that is to say, eaves on the windward side of a house experience strong upward pressure. Faves on the leeward side experience negative pressure.

Design pressure coefficients for the various portions of a building are given in Table 1. It should be noted that the pressures on the leeward side are not only for negative pressure because of the flow of the wind around the house, but include an allowance for internal pressure on the leeward wall occasioned by doors and windows either being open or having been broken open by flying debris in a high wind. A sketch showing the types of forces and their directions is given in Figure 2.

Wind blowing against a house has three effects for which an ancharage analysis should be made. First, the house tends to rotate about the point where the bottom of the leeward wall meets the foundation. Secondly, the house tends to lift because of negative pressures or uplift forces developed on the roof. Third, the house tends to slide off the foundation because of horizontal forces. All of these forces are resisted by the weight of the house. As the house tends to rotate about the intersection of wall and foundation, an opposite rotating tendency is developed by the weight of the house, assumed to act

at its center of gravity. The uplift forces are resisted directly by the weight of the house. Horizontal motion of the house is resisted by friction developed by contact between the superstructure of the house and the foundation. The amount of friction is directly related to the weight of the house. If the house is heavy enough to resist all of these forces anchorage is unnecessary; otherwise, it should be used.

#### Analytical Method

The analysis can best be illustrated by taking an example as shown in Figure 2. The house is 30 feet wide, 40 feet long, one story high with sidewalls 8 feet high, and has a roof with a pitch of 4 in 12 or 18½ degrees.

All wind forces are assumed to be directed at right angles to the surfaces on which they are acting. Consequently,  $W_{\rm v}$  and  $W_{\rm tw}$  are horizontal and can be assumed concentrated 4 feet up on the windward and leeward

walls, respectively. These cause a rotating tendency or moment equal to  $4 \times W_{\nu}$  and  $4 \times W_{\text{lw}}$ , respectively, about the point of rotation. Similarly, the forces acting on the various portions of the roof can be considered to be concentrated at the centers of the corresponding roof areas. Using the values for the various design pressure coefficients taken from Table 2, it is possible then to set up the computations in Table 3 for the various rotational effects or moments corresponding to the various wind forces.

#### Overturning

If the design wind pressure is known, it is possible to calculate the overturning effects or moments about the point of rotation. If, for example, the design wind pressure is 15 pounds per square foot, the various overturning effects are as given in Table 2 under the heading Moment for 15 psf. It is seen that the

#### TABLE 1-EXTERNAL AND INTERNAL DESIGN PRESSURE COEFFICIENTS

Roof Slope (degrees) Pitch	External & Internal	Design Pressure Coefficient						
		W <sub>v</sub>	We	Ww	Wie&Wii	Wiw		
0°	E	1.0 Pw		-0.60 Pw	-0.60 P <sub>w</sub>			
	1	-0.2 Pw		-0.45 Pw	-0.45 Pw	-0.45 Pw		
	Total	0.8 Pw	-2.0 Pw	-1.05 Pw	-1.05 Pw	-0.45 P <sub>w</sub>		
9½° or 2/12 and 18½° or 4/12	E	1.0 Pw		-0.60 Pw	-0.45 Pw			
	L	-0.2 P		-0.45 Pw	-0.45 Pw	-0.45 Pw		
	Total	0.8 Pw	-2.0 Pw	-1.05 P <sub>w</sub>	-0.90 Pw	-0.45 Pw		
22½° or 5/12	E	1.0 Pw		.06×22.5-1.8= -0.45 Pw	-0.45 P <sub>w</sub>			
	1	-0.2 Pw		-0.45 P <sub>w</sub>	-0.45 Pw	-0.45 Pw		
	Total	0.8 P <sub>w</sub>	-2.0 Pw	-0.9 P <sub>w</sub>	-0.90 P <sub>w</sub>	-0.45 P <sub>w</sub>		
27° or 6/12	E	1.0 Pw		.06×27.0-1.8= -0.18 P <sub>w</sub>	-0.45 P <sub>w</sub>			
	1	-0.2 Pw		−0.45 P <sub>w</sub>	-0.45 P <sub>w</sub>	-0.45 Pw		
	Total	0.8 Pw	-2.0 Pw	-0.63 Pw	-0.90 Pw	-0.45 Pw		
40° or 10/12	E	1.0 Pw		.015×40.0-0.45= -0.15 P <sub>w</sub>	-0.45 Pw			
	- 1	-0.2 Pw		-0.45 P <sub>w</sub>	-0.45 Pw	−0.45 P <sub>w</sub>		
	Total	0.8 P <sub>w</sub>	-2.0 Pw	-0.30 Pw	-0.90 Pw	-0.45 Pw		

Note: W<sub>V</sub>, W<sub>e</sub>, W<sub>w</sub>, W<sub>I</sub>, and W<sub>Iw</sub> denote windward wall, windward eave, windward roof surface, leeward roof surface, and interior leeward wall, respectively. E denotes external pressure, and I denotes internal pressure. Positive values denote inward load; negative values, outward load except for W<sub>V</sub>(I) which represents the 20 percent loss due to openness. P<sub>W</sub> denotes wind load per sq. ft.



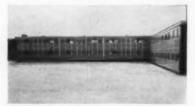
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overturning effect is equal to 26,200 footpounds. This must be resisted by the weight of the building times its moment arm of 15 feet. The total weight of the house is 38.800 pounds exclusive of plumbing fixtures. If it is assumed that another thousand pounds approximately are involved in plumbing and other fixtures other than those which are found in the basement, the total weight of the house may be taken as roughly 40,000 pounds.\* The resistance to overturn, consequently, is equal to 40,000 pounds times 15 feet, or 600,000 foot-pounds. If the customary safety factor of 3/3 is employed, and the resisting moment of 600,000 foot-pounds is reduced to 3/3 of that value, it is still 400,000 footpounds, or more than 15 times the overturning moment. No anchorage is needed for overturning.

#### Lift, Thrust

It is now necessary to check the house for uplift and for horizontal thrust. The computations for vertical force and for horizontal thrust are shown in Table 3. The vertical loads are the components in the vertical direction of the various wind forces on the walls and roof of the building. There is no vertical component on the walls but there are vertical components on the roof, as shown in Table 3. Similarly, the horizontal forces are the horizontal components of the forces on the walls and roof. Wall loads are all horizontal; roof loads have horizontal components, either directed to the left or to the right, as shown in Table 3. The walls are 40 feet long and the roof is 44 feet long. For a 15 pound per square foot wind load, consequently, the net upward load on the house is found to be

No allowance for mechanical equipment was made in the committee report. It seems desirable to include it for the sake of completeness in this example.

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22,400 pounds. Similarly, the net horizontal force on the house is 4880 pounds directed to the left.

Because the house weighs 40,000 pounds and the uplift forces are only 22,400 pounds, there is a net downward force and anchorage against uplift is therefore unnecessary.

The net downward force of 17,600 pounds must be multiplied by a coefficient of friction to determine the resistance to horizontal motion. Major uncertainties exist with respect to the coefficient of friction but a commonly accepted value is  $\frac{3}{2}$ , that is, the resistance to horizontal motion is  $\frac{3}{2} \times 17,600$  or 11,700 pounds. Because this exceeds the net horizontal wind force of 4880 pounds, no anchorage is necessary. Consequently, this house with 15 pounds per square foot wind loading does not need anchorage.

Many houses today are being built with slab-on-ground construction. This means that the superstructure of the house begins on a slab, there is no first floor which is an integral part of the frame and, therefore, the floor slab in an unanchored house does not assist in resisting overturning, uplift, or horizontal motion. Plumbing and heating equipment is customarily set directly on the slab and also makes no contribution to resisting wind forces. It is perhaps debatable whether partitions assist in resisting wind forces, but they are assumed in this example to be sufficiently well framed to the rest of the house to be effective. The weight of the same house that was used above but for slab-on-ground construction, is only 30,500 pounds. The resistance to overturning now becomes  $15 \times 30,500$  or 455,000foot-pounds. Taking two-thirds of this, there

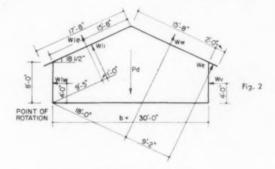


TABLE 2-MOMENTS OF FORCES

	Moment * per Foot of Length	Length ft	Moment for 15 psf ft-1b
$M_v = W_v \times 8 \times 4$ = $.8P_w \times 8 \times 4$ =	26 P <sub>w</sub>	40	1,000
$M_e = W_e \times 27.2 \times 2$ $= 2P_w \times 27.2 \times 2 =$	109 P <sub>w</sub>	44	4,800
$M_w = W_w \times 15.8 \times 18$ = 1.05 $P_w \times 15.8 \times 18$ =	298 P <sub>w</sub>	44	13,100
$M_{1e} = W_{1e} \times 17.8 \times 9.5$ = .45 P <sub>w</sub> × 17.8 × 9.5 =	76 Pw	44	3,400
$M_{1i} = W_{1i} \times 15.8 \times 10.5 =$ = .45 $P_w \times 15.8 \times 10.5 =$	75 P <sub>w</sub>	44	3,300
$M_{lw} = W_{lw} \times 8 \times 4$ $= .45 P_{w} \times 8 \times 4 =$	14 P <sub>w</sub>	40	600
M <sub>w</sub> =	598 Pw		26,200

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is a net resistance to overturn of 305,000 foot-pounds which is still more than adequate to resist the overturning moment. The net downward force, however, becomes 30,500–22,400 or 8100 pounds. This still provides a net downward component resisting uplift. When it is multiplied by ½ to find the resistance to horizontal loading, the horizontal resistance becomes 5400 pounds, which is slightly higher than the horizontal wind force of 4880 pounds. The house still qualifies as not needing anchorage.

Returning to the house with basement and framed first floor, if the wind load is increased to 40 pounds per square foot the overturning moment is  $40/15 \times 26,200$  or 70,000foot-pounds instead of 26,200 foot pounds. The net resisting moment of 400,000 footpounds is still more than adequate to offset, so anchorage against overturn is unnecessary. The upward force now, however, is 40/15 imes22,400 or 60,000 pounds, so that there is a net upward force of 20,000 pounds which requires anchorage against both uplifting and sliding. Similarly, if the house is considered to be of slab-on-ground construction, the net resisting moment of 305,000 foot-pounds is more than adequate to take care of the 70,000 foot-pound overturning moment, but there is now a net upward force of 29,500 pounds which requires anchorage against uplift. The horizontal force is 40/15 × 4880 or 13,000 pounds. It must be resisted by ancharage because friction cannot be counted on when a net uplift exists.

Where anchorage is needed bolts, or their equivalent in terms of powder-driven fasteners; hammer-driven masonry nails; straps, clips and angles should be used. Anchor bolts 1/2-in, in dia, should be set at least 7 in. in solid concrete or 15 in. into concrete black, with the bolts not more than 8 feet on centers. This anchorage will be analyzed to determine if it resists forces in the example above. An important aspect is the size of the washer because the washer, in turn, bears against the wood sill and must be large enough to develop the necessary load against the side grain of the wood. If, for example, a 2-in, round washer with a 9/16 in, round hole is chosen, the net area of the washer bearing against the side grain of the wood is 3.1 square inches. If the allowable side-grain stress is 360 psi (e.g., hemlock) and if this is multiplied by 1.33 to allow for the increased stress that can be taken during short-time loads such as winds, the allowable pressure against the washer is 480 psi. This times 3.10 gives an allowable uplift of 1500 pounds per bolt. Dividing the uplift force of 29,500 pounds by 1500 pounds indicates that 20 bolts are needed against uplift. If a bolt is placed one foot from each corner along each wall, as is customary, the rest of the bolts are spaced approximately 8 ft apart along the periphery of the house. In other words, the standard 1/2 in. bolt 8 ft on centers will take care of the uplift condition on this house

provided 2-inch round washers are used. Furthermore, the weight of the footing and the slab tied into the footing must be sufficient'y great to withstand the 29,500 pound uplift. A footing 10 in. deep and 12 in. wide, for example, weighs approximately 115 pounds per foot or 16,000 pounds, consequently, approximately 3 to 4 ft of a 3-in. thick slab would have to be tied in to the footing so that the weight of slab and footing together would be adequate to withstand the uplift force of 29,500 pounds.

The full horizontal force of 13,000 pounds must be resisted by the anchor bolts. For hemlock and similar species the allowable longtime load perpendicular to the grain against a half-inch bolt in material 1% in, thick is 320 pounds (National Design Specifications, National Lumber Manufacturers Association). This can be increased one-third for wind load and therefore becomes 425 pounds per bolt. Dividing this into 13,000 indicates that 31 bolts are needed instead of the 20 bolts adequate for uplift. If fewer bolts are to be used, the sill must be made thicker. For example, the allowable wind loading if material 2% in, thick is used is  $530 \times 1.33$  or 710pounds per bolt. This calls for 19 bolts. Standard anchorage now is adequate. End and edge distances of wood around the bolts must be adequately designed according to standard wood engineering procedure as set forth, for example, in the National Design Specifications.

### TABLE 3 - VERTICAL AND HORIZONTAL COMPONENTS OF WIND LOADS

	Vertical	Load per Foot of Length	Length,	Load for 15 psf lb.	Horizental	Per Fact of Length	Length,	Load for 15 psf lb.
Wy				0	8 × 0.8 P <sub>w</sub>	= 6.4 Pwh	40	3,840 ←
W <sub>e</sub>	2 × 2 P <sub>w</sub> × 0.95	= 3.8 P <sub>wv</sub>	44	2,500 ↑	2 × 2 P <sub>w</sub> × 0.32	= 1.3 Pwh	44	860 —
w.	15.8 × 1.05 P <sub>w</sub> × 0.95	=15.8 P <sub>wv</sub>	44	10,400 ↑	15.8 × 1.05 P <sub>w</sub> × 0.32	= 5.3 Pwh	44	3,500 —
Wie	17.8 × 0.45 P <sub>w</sub> × 0.95	= 7.6 P <sub>wv</sub>	44	5,000 ↑	17.8 × 0.45 P <sub>w</sub> × 0.32	= 2.6 Pwh	44	1,720 ←
Wii	15.8 × 0.45 P <sub>w</sub> × 0.95	= 6.7 P <sub>wv</sub>	44	4,500 ↑	15.8 × 0.45 P <sub>w</sub> × 0.32	= 2.3 P <sub>wh</sub>	44	1,520 ←
Wiw				0	8 × 0.45 P <sub>w</sub>	= 3.6 Pwh	40	2,160 ←
		33.9 Pwv		22,400 ↑		8.3 Pwh		4,880 ←

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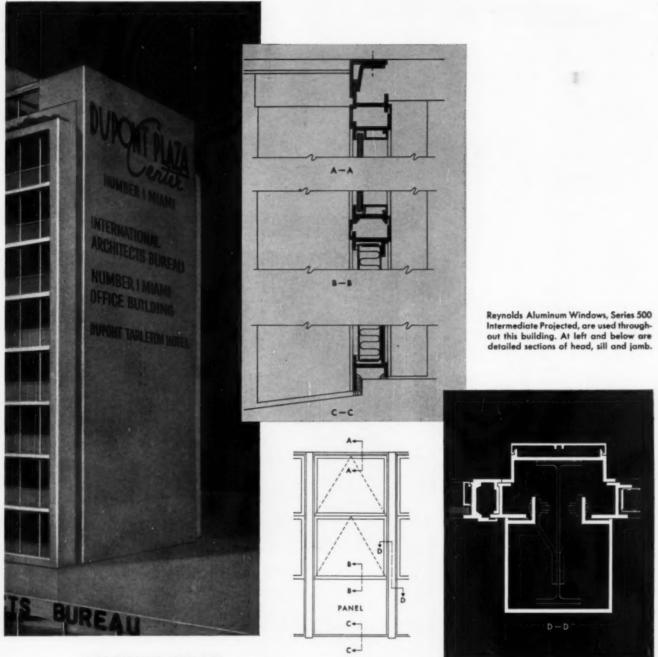
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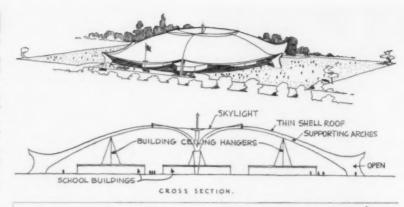
California architect Frank Wynkoop, A.I.A., first conceived of sheltering an entire school campus under a single roof while pondering a plastic dome protecting the delicate model of a group of school buildings. Pursuit of the idea that a similar protective shell might present many advantages for an actual school led to his design for the hypothetical campus scheme shown above right.

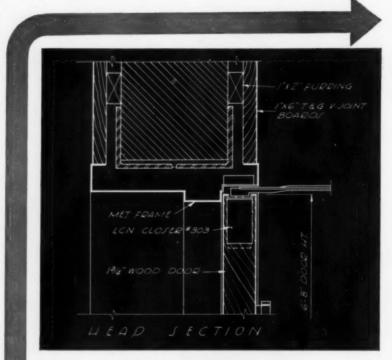
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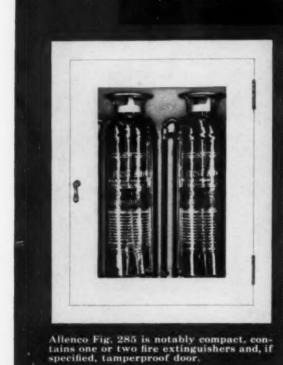
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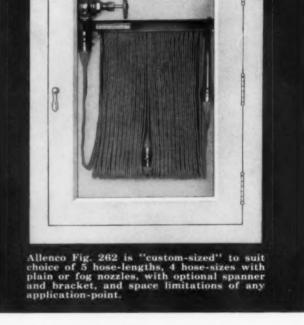
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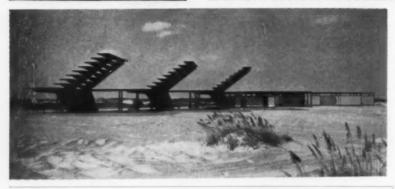


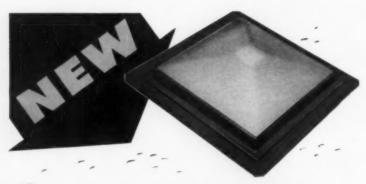
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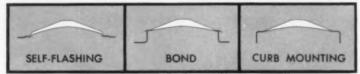


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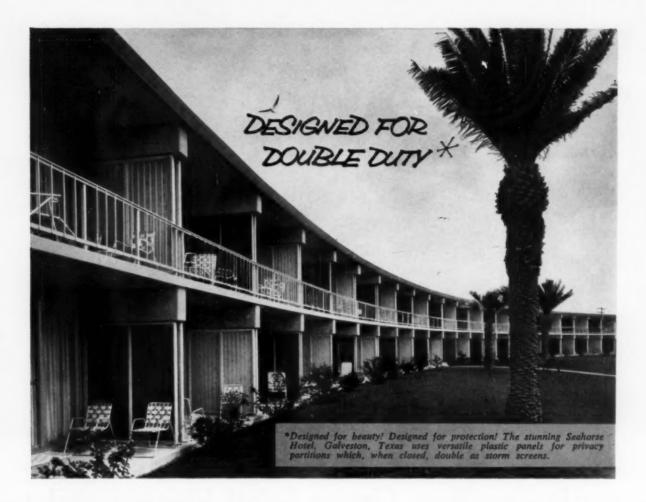
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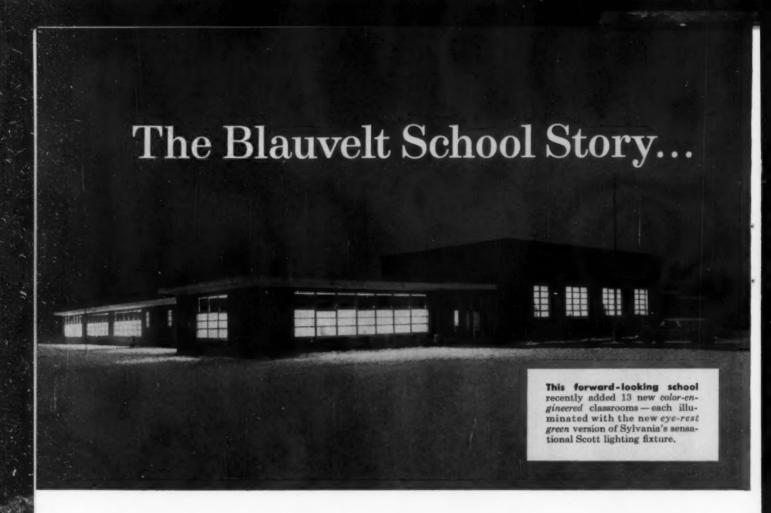
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A total of 2950 prefabricated aluminum panels, each 71/2 ft wide by 11 ft high, will make up the building's facade. The upper half of each panel contains a window unit composed of a central pivoting sash flanked by fixed sash on either side. The lower half is a spandrel of anodized aluminum, die-pressed with a design of alternate rows of small pyramids to give greater structural rigidity as well as a decorative pattern. For vertical accent - and greater freedom in subdividing the interior space - adjacent panels are separated by narrow "wall" sections which extend the entire height of the building. Fabricated of white porcelain enameled aluminum, these 20 in. vertical strips are framed on each side by a 3 in. polished aluminum border.

The panels are set in place from inside the building and bolted to vertical steel rails previously welded to the building's frame, each unit interlocking at the bottom with the one below it. The steel weldments, which consist of 5 in. channels and 3 in. angles varying in length from 11 to 20 feet, are zinc-sprayed to prevent corrosion.

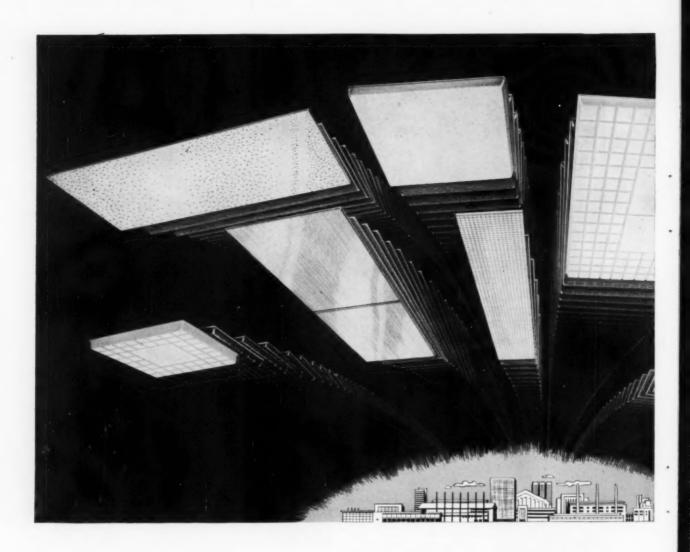
The building, whose 38 stories enclose more than a million square feet of office space, was designed by architects Carson and Lundin of New York City. Panels were fabricated by Reynolds Metals Company.

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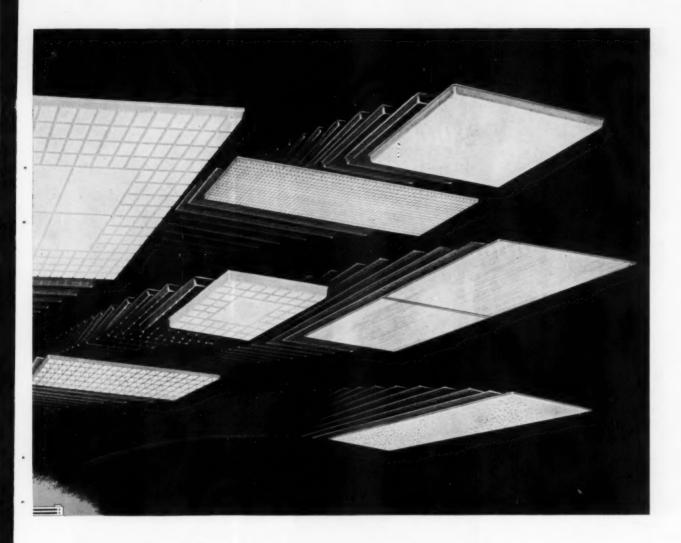
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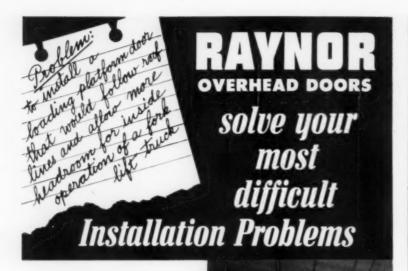
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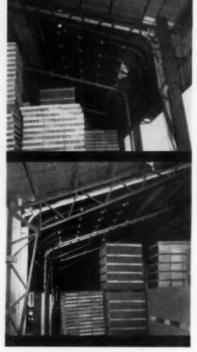
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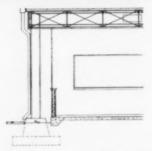
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### TECHNICAL ROUNDUP

FLORIDA HIGH SCHOOL BUILT SANS WOOD OR MASONRY





In designing the new Lincoln High School in Gainesville, Florida, architects Myrl Hanes Associates approached the twin requirements of flexibility and economy by discarding wood or masonry framing in favor of steel framing combined with non-loadbearing open web steel stud walls and solid plaster partitions. This scheme is used throughout the project, which includes a cafeteria, auditorium and gymnasium in addition administrative offices and classroom facilities for a student population of 1200.

Three principal tacks were taken to provide, within the slim budget, a school plant that would meet all the educational requirements. The first step in reducing costs was the obvious one of maximum space utilization. Although the "accepted solution" in Florida at the time was the single loaded corridor scheme. Mr. Hanes and his associates used double loaded corridors, feeling that in this way constructed space would be used most efficiently. The attendant problems of light and ventilation were solved by the use of skylights, roof ventilators and, on the southern exposure, vertical louvers supported by a long overhang. (See photo above.)

The second area of economy was the duplication of stock or standard units (Continued on page 252)



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### TECHNICAL ROUNDUP

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and details wherever possible. The same rigid steel bent was used throughout both classroom wings, the vocational wing, the library and the cafeteria, while two and three hinged arches were used for the auditorium and gvm respectively. With only a slight variation in the end condition, identical bar joists could be used for all the structures. Window units were also duplicated throughout, their heights changing only in the corridors and the gym, and their widths and mullion detail remaining the same in every case. The architects also cut costs by designing so as to reduce the number of subcontracts. With the steel and plaster construction used, two large subcontracts - steel fabrication and erection, and lathing and plastering - accounted for more than 30 per cent of a total construction cost of \$929.865.



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Robert de Veyrac, on the left, head of Lippincott & Margulies' Hotel Design Department, consults with Walter Margulies. This prominent firm is credited with design accomplishments in foremost hotels in and out of the country, including: the Hotel Dennis in Atlantic City; the Hamilton Hotel in Washington, D. C.; the Conrad Hilton in Chicago; the Emerald Beach Hotel in Nassau, B.W.I.; the Hotel Gran Bolivar in Lima, Peru; the Curtis Hotel in Minneapolis and the Vanderbilt Hotel in New York City.



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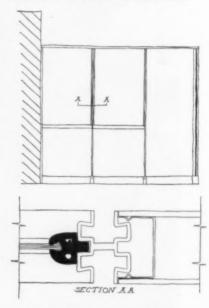


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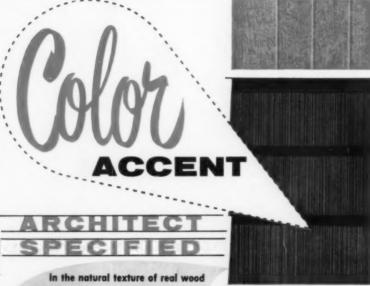
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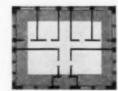


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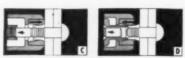


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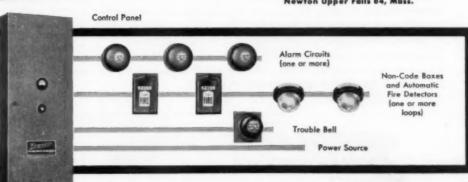
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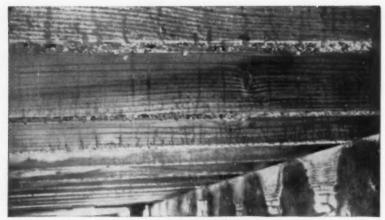
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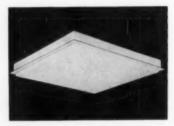
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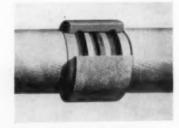
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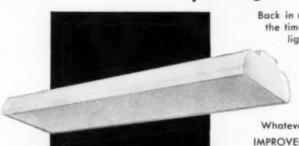
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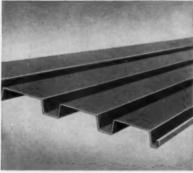
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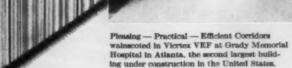
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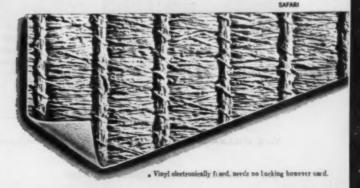


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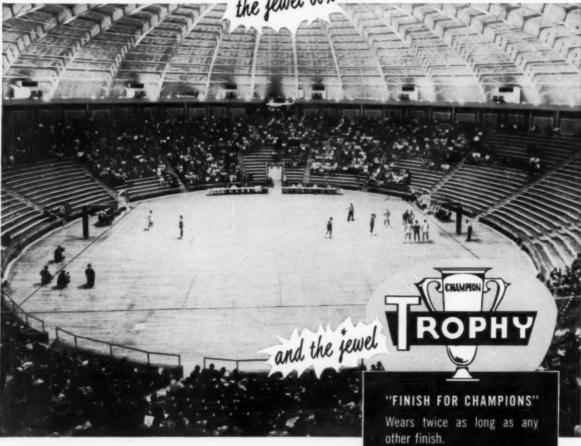
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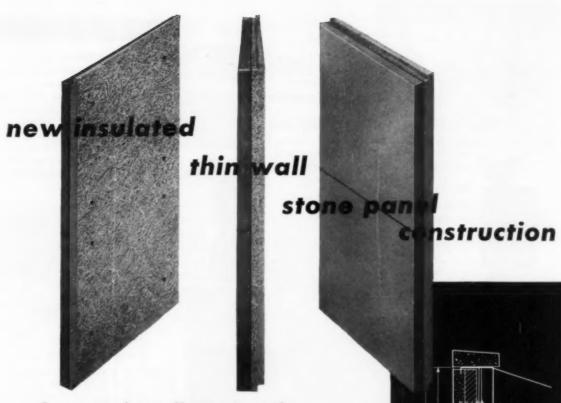
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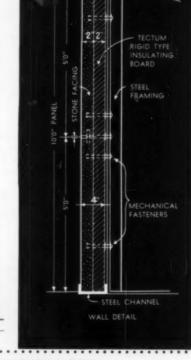


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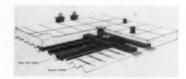
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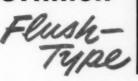
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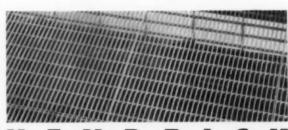
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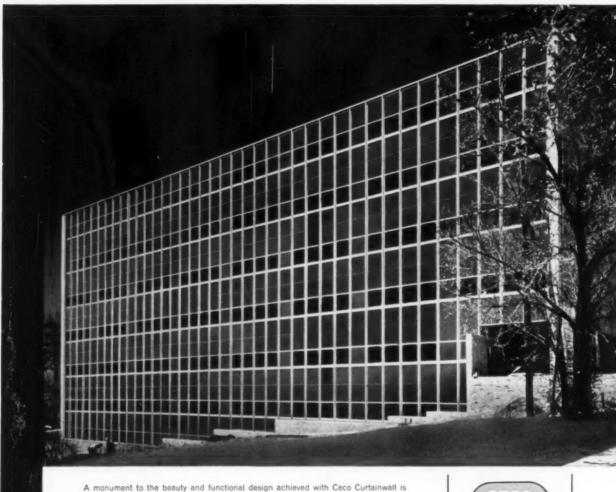


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Palms Shopping Center, Houston, Texas Irving L. Klein, Architect.

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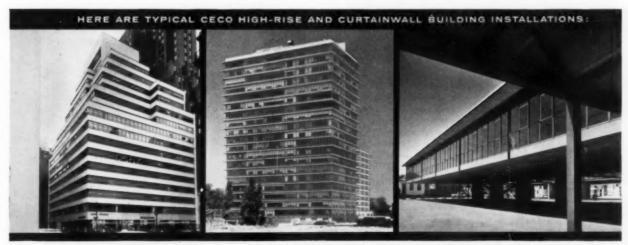
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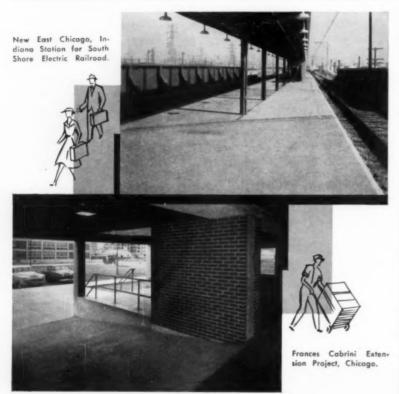
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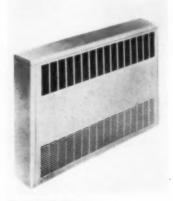
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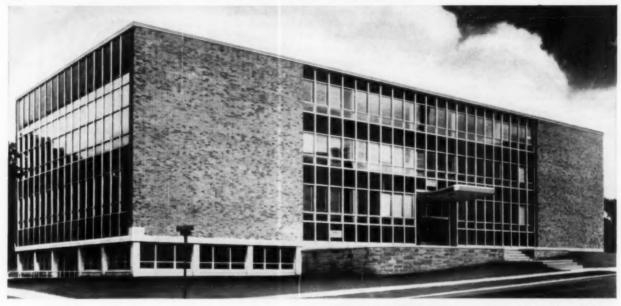
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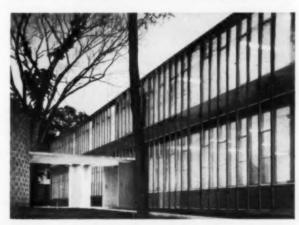
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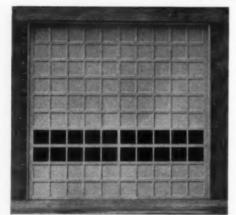
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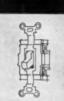
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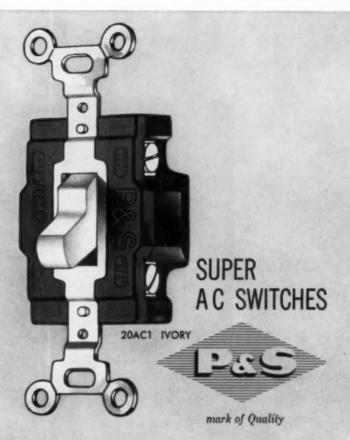


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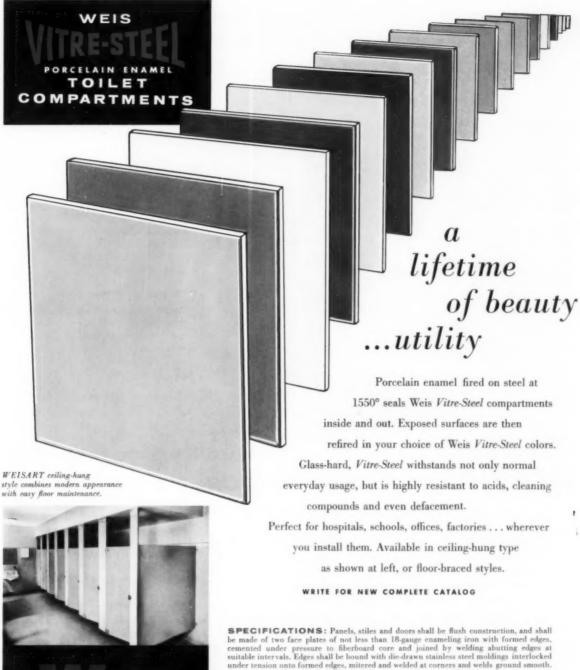
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### LITERATURE

Catalogs • Brochures • Booklets

### Structural Facing Tile (A.I.A. 3)

Latest revision of Specifications for Ceramic Glazed and Unglazed Structural Facing Tile includes the new specification for economy ceramic glaze as well as data on requirements, tolerances, testing and available colors. Facing Tile Institute, 1520 Eighteenth St., N.W., Washington 6, D. C.\*

### Hollow Metal Doors

Contains specifications and photos of Steelcraft Series 16 panel and flush type doors, as well as complete details on hardware and accessories. 12 pp. Steelcraft Mfg. Co., Inc., 9017 Blue Ash Rd., Rossmoyne, Ohio.\*

### The ABC of Fire Protection

Discusses nature and advantages of fire protection systems, and describes complete line of *Automatic* fire protection components and systems. 36 pp. *Automatic Sprinkler Corp. of America*, Youngstown 1, Ohio.

### Fluorescent Lighting Guide Book

Cites advantages of fluorescent lighting for industrial and commercial use, with chapters on lamp types, starters, lampholders, ballasts and special lamps. 24 pp. Sylvania Electric Products Inc., 60 Boston St., Salem, Mass.\*

### Gas Heating Equipment Catalog

(A.I.A. 30-C-43/30-B-1) Covers Reznor line of gas-fired commercial and industrial heating equipment, with specifications, details, dimension drawings and tables. Catalog GN-57. 16 pp. Reznor Mfg. Co., Mercer, Pa.\*

### 1957 Vinyl Asbestos Tile Color Chart

(A.I.A. 23-G) Shows colors and patterns available from each of eleven leading manufacturers of vinyl asbestos tile, as well as the various tiles that give the same general effect. The Asphalt Tile Institute, 101 Park Ave., New York 17, N. Y.

### Multi-Zone Air Conditioning Units

Describes Multi-Zone air conditioning units, with dimension sheets, specifications and pertinent engineering data. Bulletin No. C-1100-B98 P. Advertising & Sales Promotion Dept., Worthington Corp., Harrison, N. J.\*

\* Other product information in Sweet's Architectural File, 1957.

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Mr. Carey (seated) discusses plans for his new Harvey Park Addition in Denver with his sales manager, Morris Gilligan, and David R. McMillan (also seated) of Mountain States Telephone and Telegraph Company.

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A Story About Man and His Search for Beauty presents illustrations of classical and present-day examples of the use of marble, with a section on marble production. The physical characteristics of Carthage marble are also discussed, 52 pp. Carthage Marble Corp., Box N612-AR, Carthage, Missouri.

### Airflow Fume Hoods (A.I.A. 35-E)

Includes engineering data and recommendations, operating characteristics and operating cost comparisons for complete line of laboratory fume hoods. 48 pp. Kewaunee Mfg. Co., 5046 S. Center St., Adrian, Mich.\*

### Water Coolers, Purifiers, Fountains

Catalog 57A presents engineering data, specifications and drawings for Filtrine water coolers, drinking fountains, and filter-purifiers. 24 pp. Filtrine Mfg. Co., 82 West Prospect St., Waldwick, N. J.\*

### **Electrified Cellular Concrete Floors**

(A.I.A. 17-A) Office Building Manual contains detailed information on the Flexicore electrified cellular concrete floor system. A section on structural design includes design data for two typical office buildings. 32 pp. Flexicore Co., Inc., 1932 E. Monument Ave., Dayton 1,

### Merchandising Display System

Twenty-four page brochure illustrates design possibilities of the Vizusell system of channels and brackets for merchandising displays, with installation information and special sections on individual merchandising units. Vizusell Brochure 385, L. A. Darling Co., Dept. 32, Bronson, Mich.

### Year 'Round Unit Ventilator

Discussion of general characteristics of the HerNel-Cool II classroom air conditioner is supplemented by selection data, specifications and pertinent technical information. 24 pp. Dept. PD, American Air Filter Co., Inc., 215 Central Are., Louisville 8, Ky.\*

### Glass-Clad Buildings (A.I.A. 17-A)

Illustrated file contains architectural specifications and details for glass curtain wall construction using structural glass panels, fiber glass spandrel insulation and 82-X curtain wall framing. Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co., 632 Fort Duquesne Blvd., Piltsburgh 22, Pa.\*

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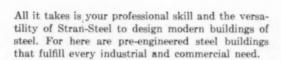
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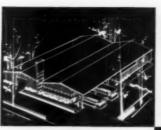
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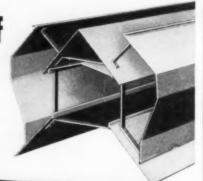
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(A.I.A. 30-D-4) Gives detailed data on double-wall, air-insulated four-inch oval and standard round pipe, and the necessary fittings. A selection chart is included. Catalog No. 1, 16 pp. Dura-Vent Corp., 2525 El Camino Real, Redwood City, Calif.

### **Daylight Control With Plexiglas**

(A.I.A. 26-A-9) Discusses types and uses of *Plexiglas* daylight louver panels, with illustrations, installation details and suggested specifications. 16 pp. *Rohm & Haas Co.*, Washington Sq., Philadelphia 5. Pa.\*

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### Fire Resistive Ratings (A.I.A. 20-B-1)

Technical Bulletin No. 8 gives, in chart form, the fire resistive ratings for metal lath and plaster used with various types of steel and wood construction. Metal Lath Manufacturers Association, Engineers Bldg., Cleveland 14, Ohio.\*

### Finned Radiation and Enclosures

(A.I.A. 30-C-4) New 20-page catalog No. FT-55 covers fifteen basic heating elements and several types of enclosures, with ratings, dimensions and pertinent technical data. The Rittling Corp., Buffalo 5, N. Y.

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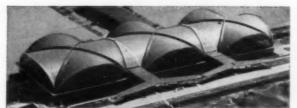
Selection manual No. 60-1957 gives performance data, typical specifications, and selection and installation information on Anemoslat draftless aspirating air diffusers for conventional, high temperature differential and high velocity systems. 78 pp. Anemoslat Corp. of America, 10 East 39th St., New York 16, N. Y.\*

### Sliding Glass Doors (A.I.A. 16-E)

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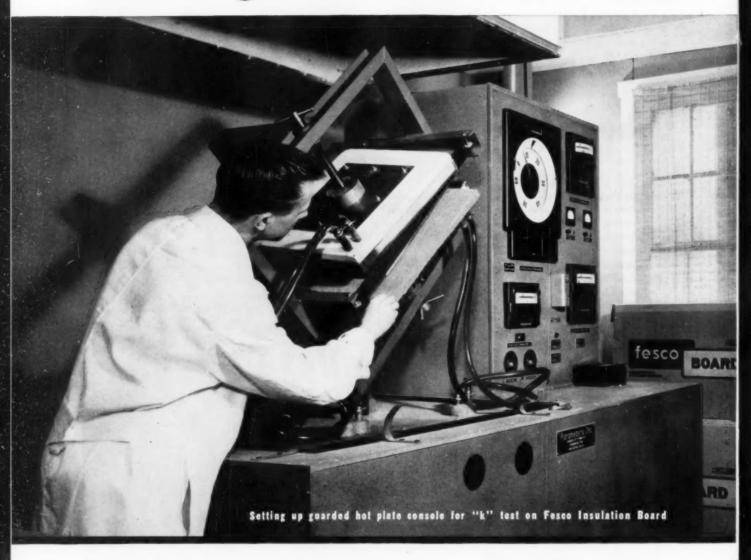
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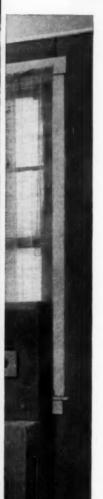
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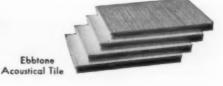








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### Ceco Steeldomes (A.I.A. 4-E-6)

Four-page brochure describes and illustrates Ceco-Meyer's Steeldomes for use in waffle-type concrete joist construction. Ceco Steel Products Corp., 5601 West 26th St., Chicago 50, Ill.\*

### Cooling Towers

Bulletin CT-57-1 describes induceddraft counterflow cooling towers. Data sheet, charts and drawings are included. 32 pp. Foster Wheeler Corp., 165 Broadway, New York 6, N. Y.

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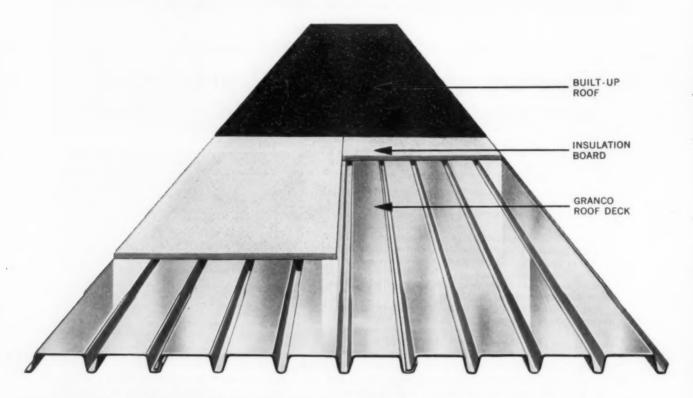
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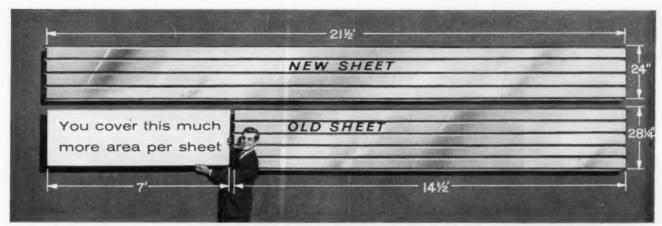
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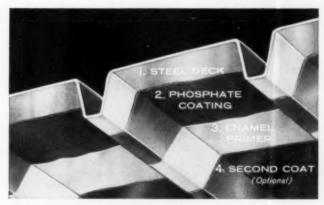
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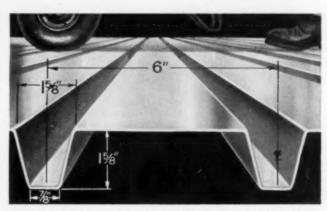


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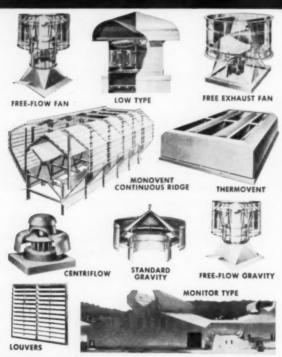
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Describes and gives physical properties of various stud types with sections on stud selection, design and locating procedures. 24 pp. Nelson Stud Welding Div., Gregory Industries, Inc., Lorain, Ohio.

### **Evaluation of the Factor of Safety**

..... In Structural Timbers, Report No. 2068, explains strength and use considerations that limit serviceability of structural timbers, and gives suggestions for estimating the proper safety factor. Director, U. S. Forest Products Laboratory, Madison 5, Wise.

### Stage Lighting (AIA 31-F-25, 11-D-22)

Engineered Lighting and Control Equipment for the Modern School Stage, Bulletin SL-56, presents recommendations for the basic layout and selection of stage lighting and control equipment for schools. Hub Electric Co., Inc., 2255 W. Grand Ave., Chicago 12, Ill.

### **Motor Control Center**

Bulletin GEA-6367A describes in detail the construction and application of General Electric's Type DA7093 general-purpose motor control center, with ratings, dimensions, installation data and guide form specifications. 24 pp. Advertising & Sales Promotion, Distribution Assemblies Dept., General Electric Co., Plainville, Conn.

### Aluminum Extrusion Handbook

Contains sections on the use of aluminum extrusions for architectural, structural, truck and trailer, and industrial product applications. Includes full-size drawings of standard shapes, information on alloys, and data on fabrication and finishing. 130 pp. Aluminum Div., Bridgeport Brass Co., Bridgeport 2, Conn.

### **Wood Roof Trusses**

Describes and illustrates typical designs for clear span wood roof trusses built with *Teco* connectors. 14 pp. *Timber Engineering Co.*, 1319 18th St., N.W., Washington, D. C.

### Day-Brite Buyers' Guide

(A.I.A. 31-F-2) Illustrated 72-page catalog (No. 60-C-6) contains detailed selection and installation data and price list for complete line of Day-Brite lighting equipment. Day-Brite Lighting, Inc., St. Louis 7, Mo.\*

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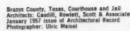
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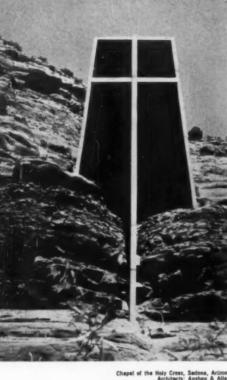
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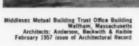
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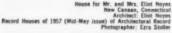
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Fleury, Toronto; George D. Gibson, Toronto: William A. Watson, Belleville: Lawrence J. Green, Winnipeg; John E. Hoskins, St. John's; Hugh P. Illsley, Montreal; Victor E. Meech, Lethbridge; Gilbert Parfitt, Winnipeg; Harold N. Semmens, Vancouver; Hugh A. I. Valentine, Montreal; and Gerard Venne, Ouebec City.

### WITH THE R.A.I.C.

The Ontario Association of Architects announces formation of a new Chapter, in Sarnia. Charter members are William E. Andrews, Norman B. Forbes, Lloyd E. Hillier, Robert D. Irvine and Ian J. Rutherford. . . . The Ottawa Chapter's May meeting was held at the Red Door Restaurant. Highlights of the R.A.I.C. program for the "Golden Jubilee" Assembly were outlined by G. B. Pritchard, chairman of the committee in charge. . . . Newly elected officers of the London Chapter are Ronald Murphy, chairman; Robert P. Buist, vice chairman, Howard Falls, secretary, and Gordon Glover, treasurer. . . . Members admitted to practice at a recent meeting of the O.A.A. Registration Board are Walter Agius, Robert W. Anderson, Kenneth S. Avery, Hugh W. Blachford, A. W. Cluff (he and Mrs. Cluff are the only husband and wife team in the association), M. R. Grant, William C. Karleff, W. E. Keenan, K. J. Kossak, William J. Moffet, I. H. Petroff, Uno Prii, R. G. Robbie, Paul Schoeler. Keith C. Spratley, Colin D. Vaughn and Richard C. S. Wise. . . . New officers and councillors of the Manitoba Association of Architects elected recently are Norman C. H. Russell, president; George A. Stewart, vice president; and Morley Blankstein, Charles Faurer, R. Bryan Ross, James Searle, Roy Sellors, Earle G. Simpson, Ralph L. Thompson, Eric W. Thrift and J. T. L. Ward, councillors. Mrs. Douglas Chevrier remains executive secretary. Official association representatives to the R.A.I.C. are Messrs. Russell, Simpson, Stewart and Thompson. . . . The Province of Quebec Association of Architects has invited its members to display their work at an exhibition to be sponsored by the Clergy and Religious Institutions Suppliers Association at the Show Mart, August 5-8.



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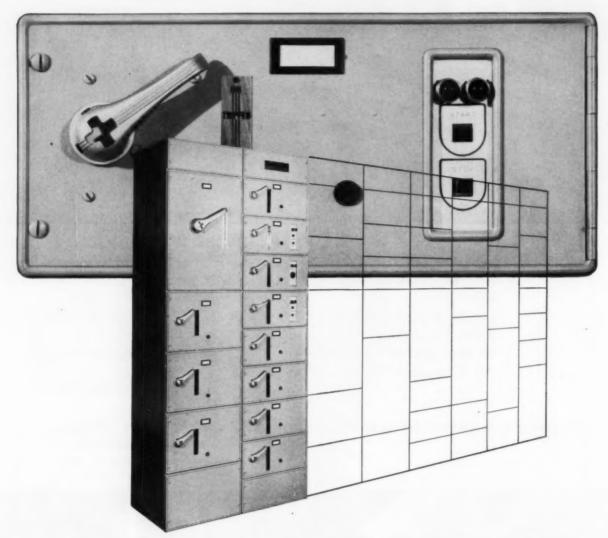
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### JAIL STANDARDS ADOPTED BY NATIONAL JAIL ASSOCIATION

A three-phase jail system is advocated by the National Jail Association in its Jail Standards adopted at last year's annual meeting and published in a recent issue of the American Journal of Correction (135 East 15th Street, New York 3, N. Y.).

Ideally, the standards emphasize, separate facilities will be provided for the three basic functions the jail system must perform: 1. serving as a depository for the use of all arresting officers and as a clearing house to release as many offenders as possible on bond or personal recognizance to appear at an appointed time and place for a hearing (this is the "lockup" function); 2. keeping "in safe and secure custody" all those who cannot properly be released while they await trial, those held for the grand jury, those convicted and being investigated before sentencing, and those sentenced and awaiting transfer to prisons or workhouses or farms (this is the ordinary concept of "jail"); 3. keeping in custody and providing a program for those sentenced to jail terms.

As "only the large units of government will have enough prisoners to justify the three-phase programs operated separately," the National Jail Association advocates "state-wide jail supervision with authority to enforce adequate jail standards and state-operated institutions with capacities for shortterm prisoners limited to 500. Such institutions would provide work, recreation and simple educational programs . . . and serve to get short-sentenced prisoners out of jail.'

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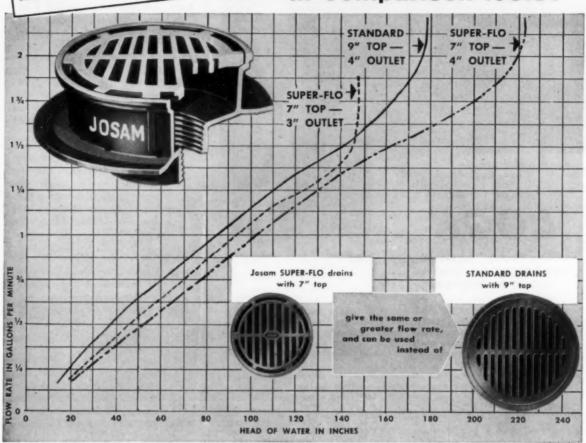
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- 8-10 The 58th annual meeting, American Society of Landscape Architects Sheraton Palace Hotel, San Francisco
- 10-13 British Architects' Conference Oxford
- 27ff Eleventh Triennale di Milano; international exhibition of modern decorative and industrial arts and of modern architecture; until November 4 — Milan
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  August 2 Fairmont Hotel, San
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August\_

- 5-12 Fourth International Conference for Students of Architecture — Copenhagen
- 11-15 First National Conference on Applied Heat Transfer, sponsored by Heat Transfer Division and Central Pennsylvania Section, American Society of Mechanical Engineers in Cooperation with College of Engineering and Architecture, Pennsylvania State University University Park, Pa.
- 18-23 The 1957 Congress of Correction, annual convention of the American Correctional Association — Morrison Hotel, Chicago

September\_

IV International Architectural Exhibition and III International Contest for Schools of Architecture, sponsored by the São Paulo Museum of Modern Art in connection with its IV Biennial; through December

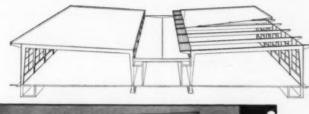
- 6-7 Western Mountain Regional Conference, American Institute of Architects — Jackson Hole, Wyo.
- 9-12 The New Highways: Challenge to the Metropolitan Region; a symposium sponsored by the Connecticut General Life Insurance Company — Bloomfield, Conn.
- 9-13 National Technical Conference, Illuminating Engineering Society — Biltmore Hotel, Atlanta

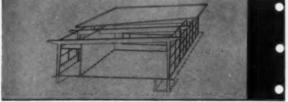
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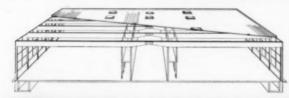
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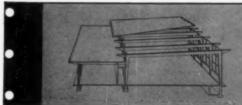
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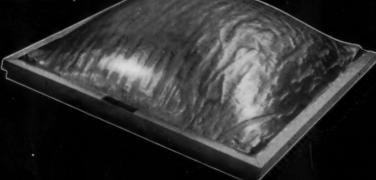
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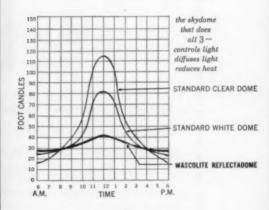
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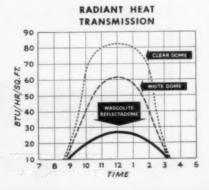
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9-19 First International Seminar on Hospital Construction, sponsored by the International Hospital Federation and the International

Union of Architects, with the assistance of the world Health Organization - Amphithéâtre des Policliniques, Geneva

17-18 Fourth meeting of Building Research Institute Plastics Study Group; open to all interested (Continued from page 324)

B.R.I. members - St. Louis 19-21 Annual convention, New York State Association of Architects -Buffalo

19-21 New York Regional Conference. American Institute of Architects - Buffalo

22-25 Annual convention, American Public Works Association -Philadelphia

22-26 The 59th annual conference.

American Institute of Park Executives - Leamington Hotel. Minneapolis

23-25 Sixth annual meeting, Standards Engineers Society - Hotel Commodore. New York

25-27 North Central States Regional Conference, American Institute of Architects - Faust Hotel. Rockford, Ill.

25-27 The 36th annual fall meeting. Producers' Council - Louisville

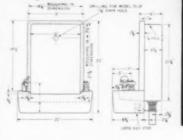
Annual Convention, American Hospital Association; through October 3 - Hotel Traymore, Atlantic City

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· Burnham Engineering, electrical consultants in high frequency lighting, under the direction of R. D. Burnham, have established offices at 516 Langfitt St., Vermilion, Ohio.

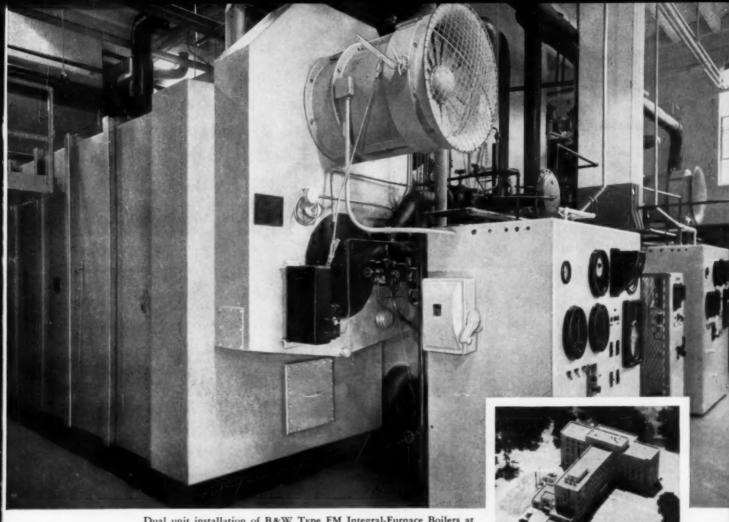
### Firm Changes\_

· William F. R. Ballard, Architect, has announced that David F. M. Todd and Richard W. Snibbe have joined him as partners in the firm Ballard, Todd and Snibbe. Offices are at 123 E. 77th St., New York 21, N. Y., and at Stamford, Conn., and Montego Bay, Jamaica.

· Celli-Flynn, Architects & Engineers, of 335 Shaw Ave., McKeesport, Pa., have announced the admission into the firm as associates Mason H. Aldrich, Architect, R. Bruce Miller, Engineer, and Anthony J. Karpinski, Engineer.

· Lockwood Greene Engineers, Inc., Engineers-Architects, have announced the election of Edward B. Moebus and Samuel B. Roberts as vice presidents in the New York office, located at 41 E. 42nd St.

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- after as Charles O. Matcham, Stewart S. Granger and Associates. Offices are at 1258 W. First St., Los Angeles.
- Nickum, Lamont and Fey, architects and engineers, is a new firm resulting from the merger of the engineering firm W. C. Nickum and Sons and Lamont and Fey, Architects. Principals are George C. Nickum, Daniel Lamont,
- A.I.A., and Lester Fey, A.I.A.; offices are located at 71 Columbia St., Seattle.
- White, Noakes & Neubauer, Architects, have been succeeded by the firm Noakes & Neubauer, Architects and Engineers, composed of Edward H. Noakes and Donald J. Neubauer, with offices at 1145 19th St. N.W., Washington 6, D. C. Mr. White continues his practice under the firm name John Jamieson White & Associates at the same address.
- Wurster, Bernardi and Emmons, Architects, have admitted as associates in the firm George R. Kennaday, Geoffrey W. Fairfax, and Don E. Stover, A.I.A. The firm is located at 202 Green St., San Francisco.



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#### Correction.

The world's first reactor was built under the grandstand at Stagg Field, University of Chicago, not at Oak Ridge as the article "For an Architecture of Nuclear Buildings," in the RECORD's March issue (page 182) stated. The Chicago graphite pile "went critical" in December, 1942, and was operated as the first self-sustaining nuclear chain reactor for three months. It was then moved to the Palos Park site of Argonne National Laboratory. The Oak Ridge graphite reactor began operation in November 1943 and is the world's oldest continuously operating reactor and the first to operate with a production po-

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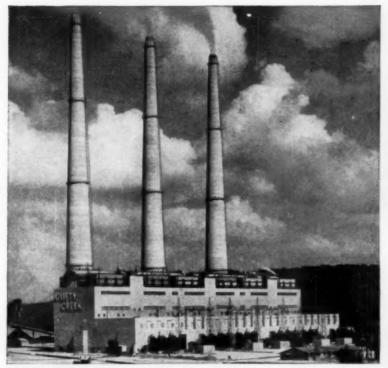
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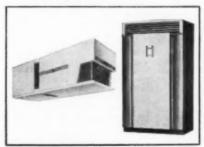
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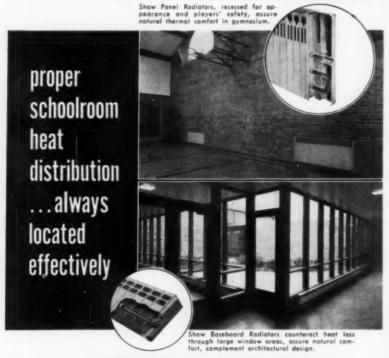
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#### WISCONSIN ARCHITECTURE: HONOR AWARDS ANNOUNCED

The Dartmoor Motor Court at Fond du Lac, Wis., Irion & Reinke, architects, has received the First Honor Award in the annual architectural competition sponsored by the Wisconsin Architects Association. Five projects (shown on page 340) received Awards of Merit. All of the award winners were on exhibit







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Members of the Jury of Award were architects Winston Elting of Chicago, Alden B. Dow of Midland, Mich., and Ambrose Richardson of Champaign, Ill

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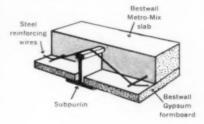


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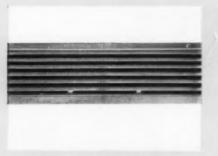
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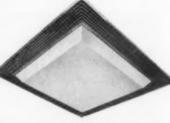


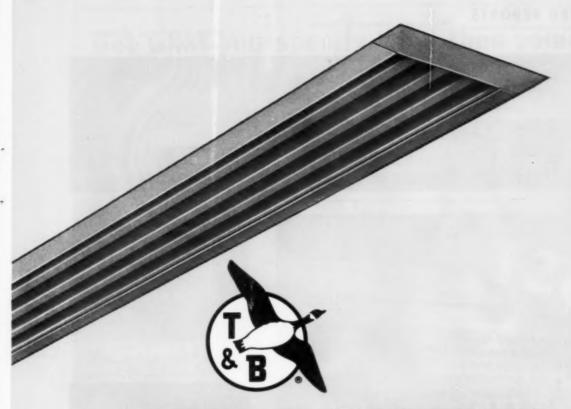
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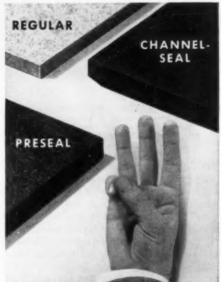
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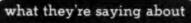
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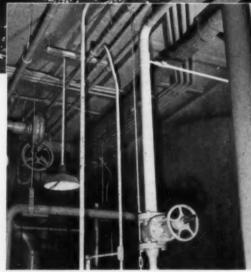
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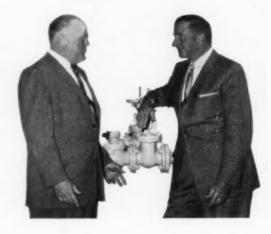
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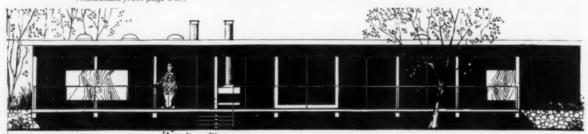
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#### NOTRE DAME STUDENTS FIRST IN HOME SHOW COMPETITION

Examining more than 225 entries from architects, designers, draftsmen and students, judges of the annual architecture design competition of the Indianapolis Home Show awarded the \$1000 first prize to Notre Dame architecture student David G. Billmeyer, and his collaborator, also of Notre Dame, Noel J. Blank. The \$500 second prize went to Howard E. McCall, and the \$200 third prize to Thomas S. Torke (their designs, p. 346). Honorable mentions, each of \$50, were awarded to Gerald H. Miller: Home F. Woodward: Frederick F. Sadri; Pvt. Richard C. Donkervoet; Roger W. Kautola; and Robert Vignieres, Jack Saro and David

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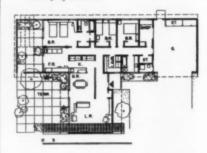
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Second prize in the competition was awarded to Howard E. McCall, research associate in architecture at Small Homes Council at the University of Illinois



Architects, remarked, "All the entries were modern in the sense of crisp clean lines and effective use of space. There was no useless ornamentation even in those that showed a touch of the traditional."

Serving with Mr. Chatelain on the jury were Raymond Thompson, president of the Indianapolis Section of the Indiana Society of Architects; Howard L. White, A.I.A.: O. C. Winters, and Ben Olsen Jr., builders. Richard C. Lennox, A.I.A., was architectural advisor.

Third place was taken by Thomas S. Torke, an architectural student at the University of Illinois



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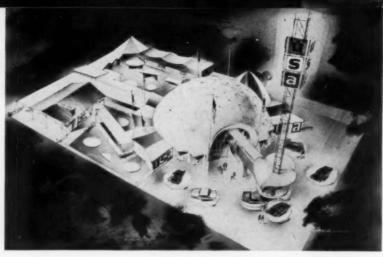
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#### BEHIND THE IRON CURTAIN: U. S. DOME AT POLISH FAIR

Assigned the problem of designing a pavilion to display such varied items of American living as automobiles, a house, fashion and building materials, New York architect Reino Aarnio has planned the U.S. exhibit pavilion for the Poznan International Trade Fair around one of Bucky Fuller's geodesic domes. The



American pavilion at the Poznan Trade Fair showed new building materials in use in the aluminum and plastic geodesic dome as well as in exhibits

dome, which has a diameter of 124 ft, will be fabricated of plastic and aluminum in this country, shipped and erected on the fair grounds; prefabrication was also used for the full-scale model house.

General exhibits in the dome are displayed on a steel-frame balcony, running around the entire circumference of the dome, as well as on the ground floor; in the center of the dome, at ground level, the architect has planned a garden and fountain. Extra exhibition space has been gained by the addition of a single-story building surrounding the dome, and giving an overall diameter

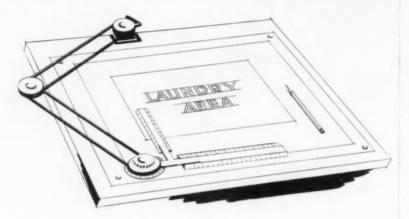
At the center of the open plaza in front of the dome, an identifying tower was built of scaffolding. The platform at the bottom of the tower will be used for fashion shows and "periodic entertainment." as will the flying bridge. which is connected by a ramp to the balcony inside the dome, extends over the garden and outside to the platform. Both bridge and platform are covered with canvas.

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The Polish fair, was held June 9 to 23, marks the first time that the United States has participated in a trade fair behind the Iron Curtain. The government's trade fair program, initiated by the President in 1954 and approved last year by Congress, is carried on under the direction of the Department of Commerce.

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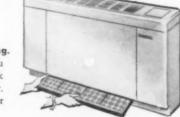
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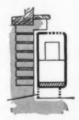
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#### THE RECORD REPORTS: VIEWS OF CURRENT PERIODICALS

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW, May 1957 (Great Britain), a special number on "Machine Made America," paints a different picture altogether from that of the well-remembered December 1950 issue of the Review on "Man Made America." When the reader has overcome the initial embarrassment of the implication that our machines really do this sort of thing better than we, the report, edited by Ian McCallum, gives a

quite favorable, though not head-turning, view of American accomplishments and contributions. The two most considerable contributions, according to the Review's lights, are sheer quantity of building and the industrialization of the curtain wall

"Syntax," the first of three main sections, is devoted to a study of the curtain wall, its past and present, and its implications for the future, leading,

The Review's "cover personage": a collage of automotive elements, pre-mixed foods, ticker tape and vorite flattering mirrors, colored magazine illustrations"

parkways; source of the anatomical parts was "one of America's fa-

suggests the Review, to a new architectural vernacular. "An age or a nation," it commented, "may or may not produce its geniuses, there is nothing at all you can do about it, but if the average man is left without terms of reference, codes of practice, vocabulary or pattern book, he flounders. And the average man, architect, builder, handyman and client has been left to flounder now for nearly 150 years without any clear architectural terms of reference. . . . The curtain wall is the first sign of such a discipline presenting itself to modern architecture and being generally accepted."

In "Genetrix," the magazine gives brief architectural biographies of 40 architects who have made "personal contributions to American architec-

"Matrix" is an assessment of "American architecture in world perspective," and takes, for a European observer, a refreshingly lenient view of U.S. fascination with the machine: "America does not suffer from . . . inhibitions; it has kept its very real feelings of guilt well-reined in the matter. . . . Of course America is not free from fear of the possible consequences, (a little fear in this department can be a life-saver), nor is it free of laggardness in adapting itself (cf. architectural education and the landscape), but the willingness is there and the right kind of brashness is there."

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## THE RECORD REPORTS CURRENT PERIODICALS

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L'ARCHITECTURE D'AUJOURD'-HUI, February 1957 (France), carries a report on developments in French West Africa and French Equatorial Africa, where building has flourished since the end of World War II. Much of this postwar building has been for industry, still another large part of it city planning. In 1946, plans were laid for major de-



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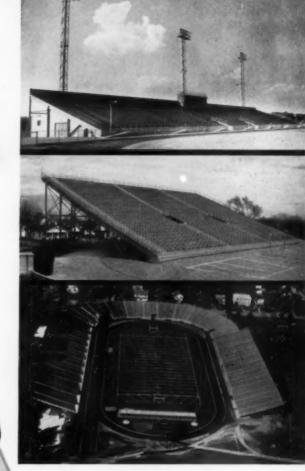
velopment of six cities — Dakar, Douala, Brazzaville, Conakry, Fort-Lamy and Adbijan. Two articles — one by Roland Pré, the other by Michel Weill — agree that technical gains have been made in designing for the climate, but agree also that design is "too European."

Among the buildings shown in the report: (1) Palais du Grand Conseil for French West Africa, Dakar — Daniel Badani and Pierre Roux-Dorlut, architects; (2) City Hall, Abidjan — Henri Chomette, architect; (3) office, Crédit Congolais, Leopoldville — Claude Laurens, architect.

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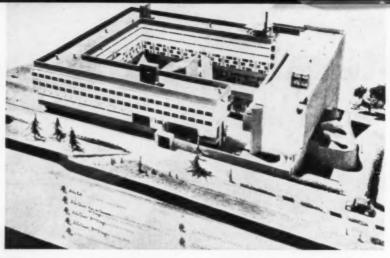
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ARKITEKTUR, February 1957 (Denmark), is the first issue of the new journal of the Danish Architects' Federation, which decided recently to carry on its organization's business in one journal, and to produce this bi-monthly design magazine for both domestic and foreign consumption. It contains an English summary, with captions in both



BOUW, April 13, 1957 (the Netherlands), showed photographs of Le Corbusier's model for a Dominican cloister to be built at

Danish and English. Published at 66 Bregarde, Copenhagen K.

ARCHITEKTONIKE, March-April 1957 (Greece) is not a new magazine, though this is the first we have seen of it. It covers contemporary Greek architecture as well as some archeological findings and reports on foreign architecture. and carries translations in French, German and English, though not simultaneously for each article - most of the translations are in French. It is published at 3 Rue Kriesotou, Athens.

DESIGN, January 1957 (India), is, according to its subtitle, a "Review of Architecture, Applied and Free Arts." This first issue contains two text pieces on architecture, a report on town planning, and some material on Indian Art and textiles, as well as some lively criticism of the current state of Indian architecture. In English. Published monthly at Ionic, Coloaba, Bombay 5.

NEUE LADEN, October 1956 (Germany), is the second number of a journal devoted entirely, as its name suggests, to the design of stores. Captions all are in German, French and English, and an English supplement is provided. Published bi-monthly by Konradin-Verlag. Postfach 625, Stuttgart.

SINKENTIKU, December 1956 (Japan) is an established magazine now publishing an English edition. The English and the photography are generally excellent; a small glossary of Japanese measurements and architectural terms is provided in each issue. Published monthly at 6, 1-Chome, Takaracho, Chuo-ku, Tokyo.

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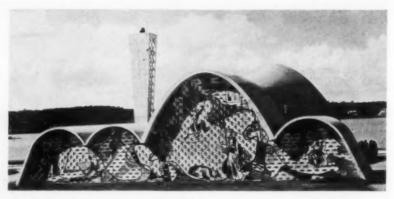
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#### BETHLEHEM OPEN-WEB STEEL JOISTS



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in a special section covering this country, while both Europe and South America are represented in the larger section. Among the architects whose work is shown: Baudot, Auguste Perret, Guillaume Gillet, Domenikus Böhm, Erik Bryggman, Oscar Niemeyer, Felix Candela, Le Corbusier, Guiseppe Vaccaro, Rudolf Schwarz, Mr. Wright, Lloyd Wright, Pietro Belluschi, Philip C. John-(Continued on page 358)



Above: Church of St. Francis, Pampulha, Minas Gerais, Brazil, 1943; Oscar Niemeyer, architect— "a response on Niemeyer's part to the more emotional aspects of worship in the Latin temperament"

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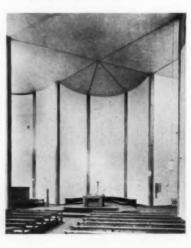
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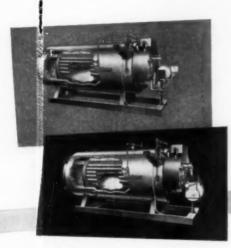
Above: Church of Notre Dame du Haut, Ronchamp, France, 1955; Le Corbusier, architect—"the result of plastic and abstract curves molded and formed with consummate artistic power." Below: Church of St. Michael, Frankfurt am Main, Germany, 1955; Rudolf Schwarz, architect—"... a fortress from the exterior ... the interior is airy and uplifting, the scene of great architectural refinement"



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son, Ludwig Mies van der Rohe, Harrison & Abramovitz, and Eero Saarinen.

The exhibit is scheduled to be seen at the Washington Cathedral, Western Michigan College, Williams College, Philips Exeter Academy and in 1958, at Washington University, the University of Michigan, the University of Illinois, Carleton College and the J. B. Speed Art Museum in Louisville.



Above: Interfaith Center, Brandeis University, 1955; Harrison and Abramovitz, architects—"chapets for divergent faiths are essential elements in a harmonious relationship — an achievement of more than passing religious significance"



Above: Meeting House of the First Unitarian Society, Madison, Wis., 1951; Frank Lloyd Wright, architect—"characterized by a richness that only Wright can impart." Below: Wayfare's Chapel, Palos Verdes, Cal., 1951; Lloyd Wright, architect—"conceived with a high order of understanding (of Swedenborg theology) and executed with great delicacy"

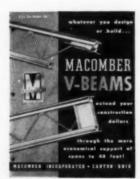




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## THE RECORD REPORTS WASHINGTON REPORT

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ing easy access to living, bedrooms, and utility areas without crossing other rooms. The prototype designs are intended to give as broad an application as possible with many basic arrangements. Minimum size is shown on the definitive drawings in order to guide base commands and architect-engineers in arriving at a standard acceptable

design solution; however, lesser areas might be acceptable, as useable floor area varies with the shape of a room, location of doors and windows, accommodation of furniture and equipment, activities, circulation and storage.

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The Air Force feels that Congress has recognized the importance of family housing facilities in all branches of the armed services by its previous enactment of legislation covering this program. The Armed Services housing built under Title VIII is government owned. It is built under a mortgage process (not with direct appropriations) on government owned property leased by the military departments to a mortgagerbuilder corporation. The contractor or eligible builder is selected through competitive bidding, based on plans and specifications prepared by architectengineers directly for the military departments.

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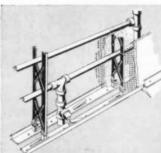
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#### THE RECORD REPORTS WASHINGTON TOPICS

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school construction assistance bill of 1957, finally cleared the House Education and Labor Committee and headed toward rough and tumble debate on the House floor. Only one obstacle stood in its path on the House side of Capitol Hill before floor consideration - approval by the Rules Committee. Education Committee chairman Graham A.

Barden (D-N. C.) had asked for Rules consideration, but early in June no hearings had been scheduled.

The American Institute of Architects objected strongly to certain phases of the measure dealing with standards and construction by state school financing agencies. In a letter submitted through the U. S. Office of Education, A.I.A. protested that part of the proposed legislation which would give state agencies - not primarily construction agencies - authority to devise and apply construction standards. It felt the bill

was weak in its failure properly to define the word "standards" and other building terms. Long delays would result, it maintained, if state legislatures must vote new laws, as they would have to do in many cases.

The architects' major objection, however, was directed to that part of the bill dealing with establishment of standards and the construction of schools by state agencies. The A.I.A. letter to the U. S. Office of Education read in part:

"While we recognize need for standards to govern health, safety and educational efficiency of school facilities, we believe the first two factors should be covered by local building codes. The educational program is, of course, traditionally of local concern as well as under general state supervision. We believe the undefined word 'standards' opens up a wide avenue for exploitation of local needs by commercial stockplan ideas in spite of rather widespread dissatisfaction of those who have really tried them and realize their excessive long-trend cost.

"We deplore equally the implication of Sec. 309 . . . and Sec. 410 . . taken together, as they must be, which invite state school financing agencies to perform all of the services listed in the definition rather than to provide funds for these services performed in the traditional and economical manner by private professionals and private enterprise."

The committee-approved bill is a straight compromise between the conservative proposals of President Eisenhower and the more liberal measures introduced by Democrats on the committee. It calls for authorization of expenditures amounting to \$1.5 billion in all over a five-year period starting July 1, 1957 to aid states with their classroom construction problems. An overall figure of \$2 billion was seriously discussed in the committee, but the lower figure was finally voted in the belief it would improve the chances for the legislation in this year when Congress is in a budgetcutting mood. In proposing the lower figure, Rep. Samuel K. McConnell, Jr. (R-Pa.), said he was convinced just as good a job would be accomplished with the \$300 million annually as with the \$400 million proposed in the subcommit-

Sealing down the Federal funds proposed for allotment to the states, the committee left untouched the subcommittee-approved provision on method of distribution. This calls for half the money to be allotted on the basis of school age population and half on pre-

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determined need. Also unchanged was the section on Federal purchase of bonds is sued by communities which can finance their own construction but are troubled with raising money on reasonable terms.

In its final report to the House, the committee noted its lengthy hearings, which extended from February 4 through March 14. The published hearings are contained in three volumes totaling 1301 pages and include testimony or statements of nearly 400 individuals or groups.

There was this reference to classroom need:

"Conflicting testimony was presented regarding the extent of the classroom shortage. It was concluded that it is probably impossible to obtain an absolutely accurate figure as to the number of classrooms needed throughout the nation. However, a majority of the full committee believes that the estimates made by the various state school agencies and issued by the United States Office of Education are as accurate as any that may be obtained. A majority of the committee believes that pockets of need exist in virtually every state."

Citing the U. S. Office of Education's school facilities summary, the committee said information indicated that at the beginning of the 1956–57 school year a total of 159,000 additional instruction rooms were needed. Estimates from the states also showed that 69,200 instruction rooms were scheduled for completion during the school year.

The committee majority drew this conclusion:

"The effort on the part of state and local school agencies, as reflected by the statistics, indicates there has been no diminution in effort as compared to the past, but that it falls short of meeting the requirements resulting from excess enrollment for the 1956-57 school year and the replacement of inadequate or obsolete facilities."

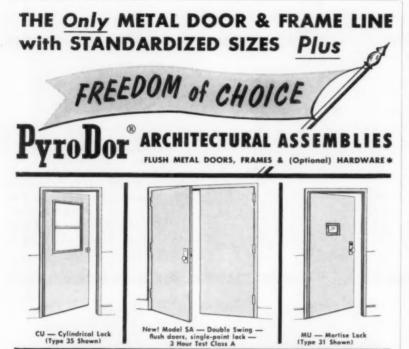
Not all committee members shared these views, however. Six members signed a minority report which claimed the bill was unfair and discriminatory in its manner of allotting money to the states. Strong statements in the minority views indicated a brisk fight on the House floor. The bill was certain for run into trouble on the segregation issue, too, as it did last year. Known as H. R. 1, its chances for final enactment at this first session of the 85th Congress were not too bright last month.

#### AS SENT INTO CONFERENCE, HOUSING BILLS EASE CREDIT

After months of hearings and floor debate, the new omnibus housing bill for 1957 reached finally a conference of both houses of Congress. In its final form it was barely recognizable when compared with the Administration's initial proposals.

Despite charges of "creating new inflationary pressurers" which came from many sources, the two bills — House and Senate — as they went to conference committee, called for lower down payment requirements on Federal Housing Administration homes. The House measure lowered the down payments on FHA-insured homes from five to three per cent on the first \$9000, calling for 15 per cent down on the next additional \$6000 and 30 per cent down on the remainder up to \$25,000. Under the old law, 25 per cent was required on all over \$9000.

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The Senate's version, passed following House approval, stipulated a three per cent down payment requirement on the first \$10,000, 10 per cent on the next \$6000 and 30 per cent on the remainder up to \$20,000.

According to Senator John J. Sparkman's diagnosis of the two pieces of legislation, the House bill provided greater support for government purchase of insured mortgages, while the Senate version would encourage a more workable housing program, providing more help to enable low and middle income and elderly persons to get better housing.

The Senate passed its bill 69 to 1 after three days of debate. The House already had approved the measure authored by Rep. Ed Edmondson (D-Okla.), on a voice vote following two days of consideration.

The House voted a larger sum for

secondary market operations of the Federal National Mortgage Association (FNMA) than did the Senate.

The more liberal Senate bill contained authorizations approximately \$450 million greater than President Eisenhower had requested. Many of these were loan items which would be repaid, Senator Sparkman pointed out.

Public housing took a stinging defeat at the hands of the House members who approved an amendment by Rep. O. Clark Fisher (D-Tex.), which aimed at limiting occupancy in low-rent public housing units to those families requiring it because of being displaced by Federal, state or local government action in a community. This made public housing an issue in the conference committee consideration of the two bills.

In industry reaction, the National Association of Home Builders gave its approval to the legislation before the conference group. A large share of the responsibility for success of the final bill was placed squarely before the lenders by the home builders.

N.A.H.B.'s president, George S. Goodyear of Charlotte, N. C., phrased it this way: "Just how effective this legislation will be depends in large measure on the responsibility of the lending industry. It will depend on the willingness of mortgage lenders to provide adequate credit to these families who have not had the down payment but can afford to purchase a home."

The home builders were insistent that any legislation passed this year could not affect building programs until sometime in 1958. Said Mr. Goodyear: "The season is too far advanced for the signed bill to have any effect on the industry this year. It takes many months for a builder to acquire the necessary land and financing to begin construction work."

#### NEW HILL-BURTON PROJECTS MULTIPLY "PROBLEM AREAS"

The "problem areas" inherent in the Hill-Burton program have been multiplied by the addition of the non-hospital facilities, the Senate appropriations subcommittee was told by Dr. Vane M. Hoge, chief of the division of hospital and medical facilities, Public Health Service.

In a statement supporting the Administration's request for \$1.4 million for programming, design and construction supervision under Hill-Burton, he pointed out that many mandatory functions must be performed which are not de-

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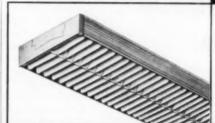


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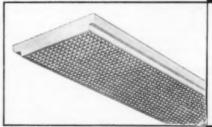




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pendent upon the volume of construction projects. These activities include the review and approval of annual revisions and supplements to state plans, development of technical and professional standards, minimum standards of construction, and general information about the program as requested by states and local organizations.

"Time and staff must also be devoted to other requirements of the Act such as review and approval of construction programs and schedules of construction applications, architectural plans, specifications and contract documents, surveillance of bid and award procedures, and assurance of compliance with minimum wage rate determinations." he told Congress.

Since the program now includes a broad range of health facilities and resources, apart from the actual hospitals, the so-called problem areas have been multiplied by the "scope and complexity" of the division's functions, it was maintained. Congress was told that the USPHS must continue to furnish leadership and guidance to states and project sponsors and to coordinate activities into a comprehensive approach for planning the provision of a broad range of health services. That is why the \$1.4 million was represented as a "must" in the budget, Dr. Hoge said.

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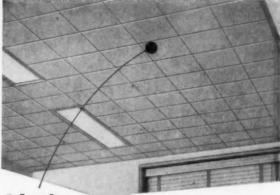
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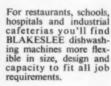
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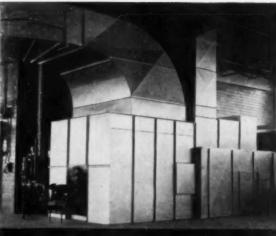
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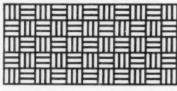
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#### GOOD DESIGN CALLED TOPS AS BUILDERS' SALES TOOL

Good design as a leading asset for the home builder was stressed at the recent conference on builders' buying habits conducted at and by the National Housing Center in Washington, D. C. More than 50 of the nation's leading residential contractors and representatives of 40 makers of principal products used in housing construction attended the second such conference held in the past six months

Typical of comments on the design subject was this remark of Emil Gould, Miami, Fla., builder: "Gadgets will never overcome poor planning in home merchandising, but with both good planning and gadgets the builder has an unbeatable combination for selling his product. . . . The public is ready for a lot more than we give it credit for. We don't know nearly enough about what the public wants. Individual items don't sell houses in themselves; it is the sum total of the entire project."

Other builders present also urged their colleagues to recognize the importance of good design as a prime selling point.

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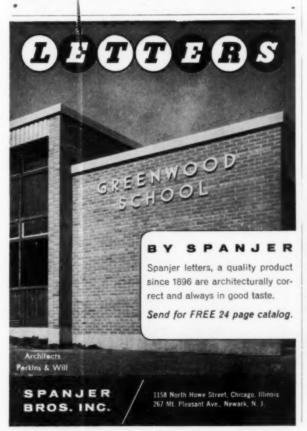
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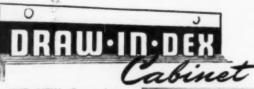
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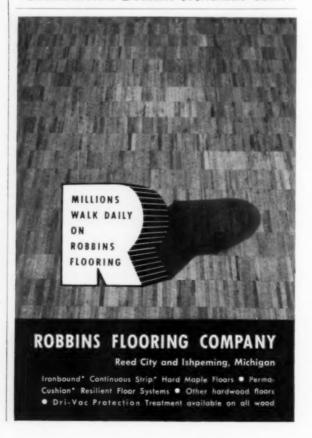
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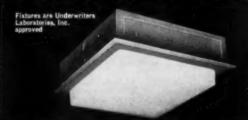
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Mr. Lewis has written what is more a social history centered on architecture than a strictly architectural history. That is, true criticism and technical data are virtually absent, while light anecdotes abound. Nevertheless, as a collection of descriptions and good photographs of residences from adobe ranch houses to art-filled castles, the book is both interesting and valuable. The illustrations alone provide a remarkable exhibit of amazingly varied styles of domestic architecture.

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The Gingerbread Age: A View of Victorian America. By John Maass. Rinehart & Co., Inc. (N. Y.), 1957. 212 pp, illus. \$7.95.

A book dedicated to clearing the name of Victorian architecture of years of calumny, and even to making it seem attractive and desirable, is an ambitious undertaking. Yet Mr. Maass just about carries off his self-imposed assignment. Actually, Victorian interior decoration, at least, has been enjoying something of a "comeback" in popular appreciation during the past few years. But this book is the first to emphasize the desirable attributes of the buildings put up in what critics have called the "Age of Horror."

The author goes beyond mere negative refutation of criticism. His attitude is one of positive appreciation; for instance, he is not afraid to use the word "beautiful" in describing structures embellished with scroll-work, spindlework, towers, or cupolas. He retains some perspective, of course — he admits that one building combining Collegiate Gothic and a mansard roof is "now fortunately covered with ivy."

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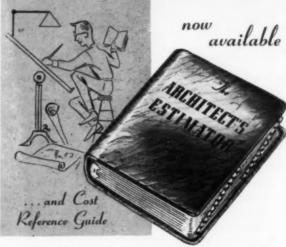
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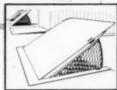
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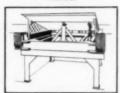
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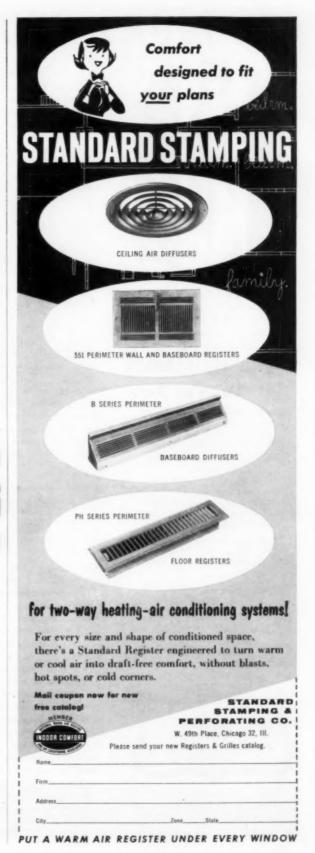
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#### EARLY GREEK DESIGN

Mnesicles: A Greek Architect at Work. By J. A. Bundgaard. Gyldendals Presseafdeling (Copenhagen, Denmark), 1957. 272 pp., illus.

This is a very complete and well-documented study of the work of Mnesicles, architect of the Propylaea of the Acropolis. The author, a Danish scholar, has produced what will obviously remain for a long time the indispensable treatment of the topic. The book includes a number of good photographs, many detailed drawings, and a key map of the site. The author evolves a reconstruction of Mnesicles' building on a somewhat new principle. He also concludes that Greek architects' greatest talents lay in the sphere of organization, rather than of creation.

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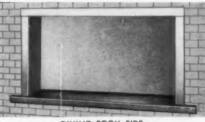
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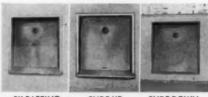
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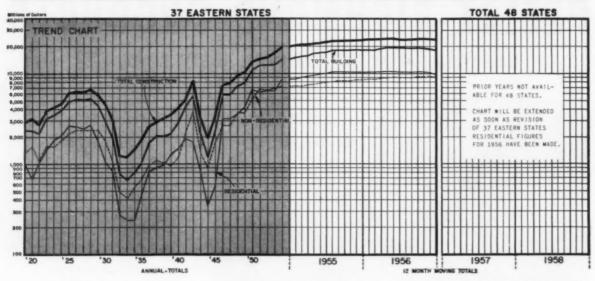
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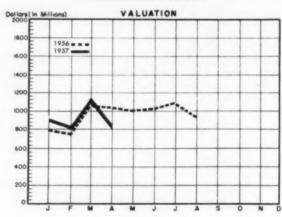
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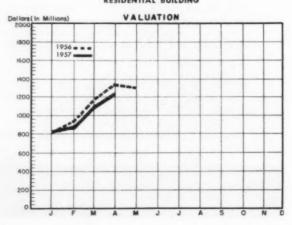
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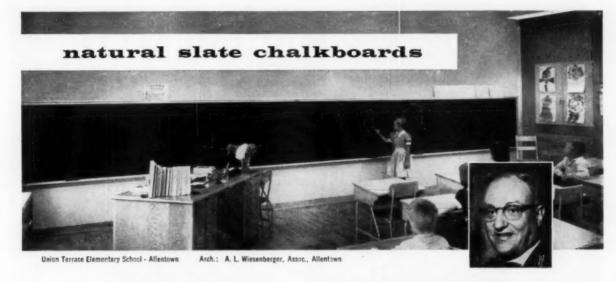
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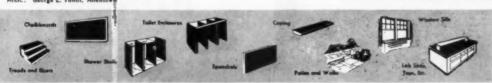
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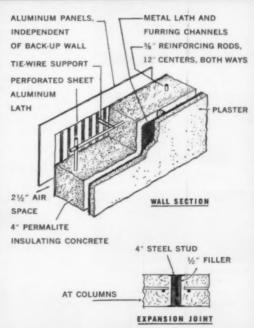
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